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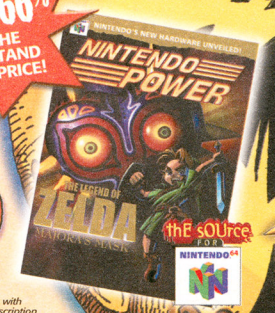

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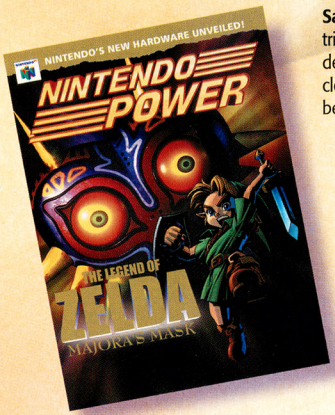

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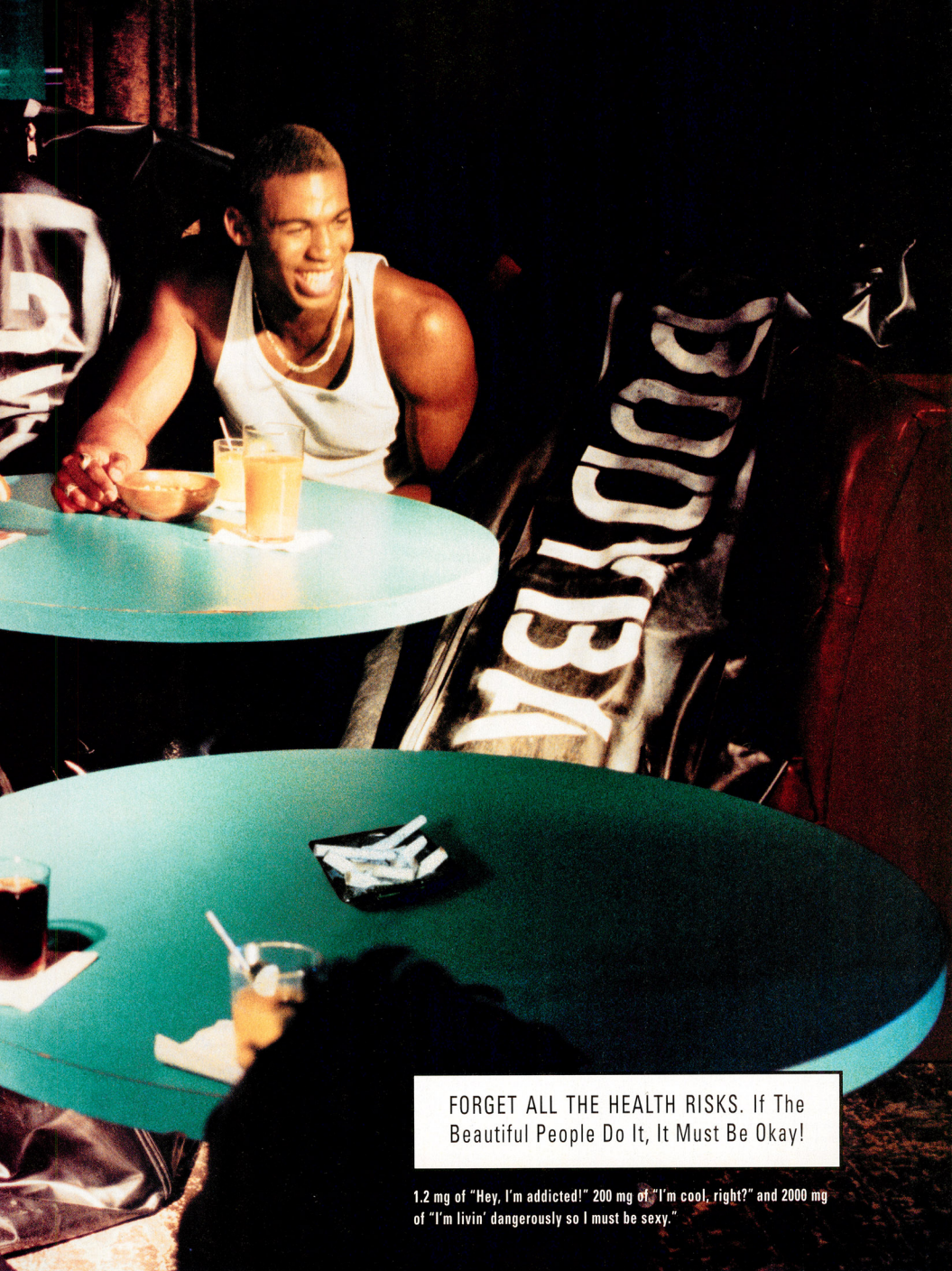
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The GBA Has Landed! 40

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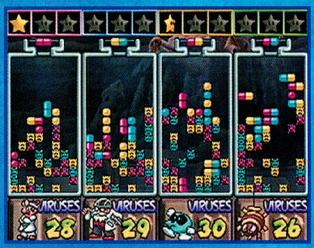

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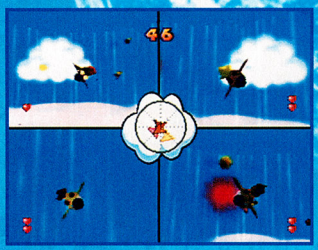

Celebrate the upcoming release of Mario Party 3, the latest in the ultra-popular multi-player party game series, with our exclusive first look at the game! If you just can't wait to take Mario and company around the game board, you can gather your friends and play the board game that is included in our preview!

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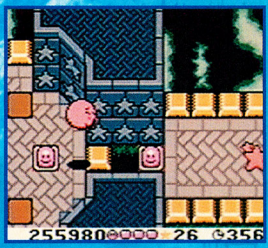

For every player who has ever tilted the Controller to try to make the little guy on the screen run faster, there's Kirby Tilt 'n' Tumble—a motion-sensitive GBC Pak! Our review gives you bumping and rolling tips for the first eight courses, including hidden item locations.

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PLAYER'S PULSE

This month's Write Away, Right Away takes us back to school . . . old school, that is! We asked you to share your most memorable gaming moment, and while the N64 Zelda titles inspired the most trips down memory lane, older games like Super Metroid, Super Mario RPG and even Bad Dudes were right on its heels. Read on and keep that box of tissues handy.

PRECIOUS MOMENTS

I think the most touching scene in a game is in Diddy Kong Racing when you beat WizPig for the second time and everyone throws you a big party.

J.P. Carroll
Via the Internet

There are many things in Majora's Mask that moved me, but my favorite was when I reunited Anju and Kafei. It was sweet how they were talking about greeting the morning together, even though they knew everything would probably be destroyed. I found it sad that they only got to be together for less than a day.

Kara Caputo
Canaan, NH

Right after I read your question, I had to write. This is the only time in my life I ever cried over a video game—Lufia II. The ending is so sad! I was about 12 when I first beat it, and I still cry every time I see it. I can't wait for the new Lufia on Game Boy Color!

YoshMaster
Via the Internet

We can't wait either. Check out Game Watch for our exclusive preview.

The ending scene for Chrono Trigger was one of the most touching in Nintendo history. I mean, here are all these people you traveled, fought and laughed with who have to go back to different times where Crono will never see them again. Heck, it even brings Robo to tears . . . or oily drops, anyway.

Geoff
Via the Internet

The end of Earthbound! When the team breaks up, you read letters from Jeff's friend, Tony, Ness's Mom and the kids at Polestar Preschool. Furthermore, everyone you talk to on the way home wants to hear your stories, and some comment on how much you've grown up. Finally, you call your dad one last time and find out he'll be home in time for your birthday.

Jiggy
Via the Internet

I'd have to say the most, well, mushy moment would be when Mario and Bowser kiss in Super Mario RPG. Then I played it again and Mario and Booster kissed! Hilarious! I had no idea there was more than one scene.

Steve Currie
Westville, NS

Mario's a lovable guy, but he doesn't return the smooch. Could it be that Bowser and Booster have bad breath?

I'd say my moment is from Majora's Mask. It was sad to

LETTER OF THE MONTH

The best scene is in The Legend of Zelda: Ocarina of Time when Saria gives Link her Ocarina in the forest and he just runs off. My sister started crying badly when she saw it, and now she's always talking about it. I think Mr. Miyamoto just wants my sister to bug me for the rest of my life.

Zerg211
Via the Internet

No sibling strife intended. Mr. Miyamoto has often said that he wants his games to evoke a strong emotional response in the players. And judging from the number of letters we received about Ocarina of Time—and the Saria and Link scene especially—we'd say he succeeded.

see Gorman the Circus Leader cry because he can't be with his brothers since he's not good with horses. It makes me sad that some people are good at things that others aren't.

Wildcat
Via the Internet

The most touching scene has to be in WCW Revenge. When you win a tag team match and the two players are gazing into each other's eyes with a look of love on their faces, it makes you want to cry.

Anonymous
Via the Internet

Nothing says tenderness quite like a folding chair smacking your opponent's backside.

After you protect the milk from bandits in Majora's Mask, Cremia gives you a mask. If you save it a second time, she gives you a big hug! I thought that was sooo sweet!

Sabrina Ontiveros
El Paso, TX

The best scene in video game history is from Final Fantasy III, when Edgar and Sabin are having a flashback to their parents' demise and must choose who will be heir to the throne. The scene was eerie, and the music . . . wow. It was like watching opera, except I didn't fall asleep.

Nicholas Tomasello
Mays Landing, NJ

My three-year-old daughter loves to watch me play Super Mario 64, and she couldn't wait for me to beat the final Bowser. When I finally did and Peach gave Mario a cake for all his hard work, she broke out in tears. It was the happiest day in a Nintendo fan's life!

Karl & Tabitha
Via the Internet

What about Banjo-Tooie? It's sad how George and Mildred Icecube are both goners. I mean, who would fry or bust open a friend just for the prize inside? I hope they're destined for the big ice cube tray in the sky.

Chuck Horenstein
Huntington Woods, MI

The best scene is from the ending of Bad Dudes for the NES, when the president asks you to go get a burger. I laughed, I cried, it was touching.

James Meyers
Via the Internet

The Nintendo cafeteria still serves Bad Dude Burgers every Friday.

The best and happiest scene I've ever seen in a video game was at the very beginning of *Star Wars:* Battle for Naboo, when the big Nintendo symbol falls on Jar Jar Binks. It was great!

Heather Dorrell
Coeur d'Alene, ID

That explains everything. We were wondering why NP staffers kept pressing the reset button while playing Battle for Naboo.

The most touching and emotional moment is in Super Metroid during the final battle against Mother Brain. Just as Samus is about to meet her doom, a Metroid saves her by covering her and giving her its energy. Then Mother Brain takes it out with a fatal shot. I was so angry and upset that I broke out the Super Missiles and blasted Mother Brain with her own medicine!

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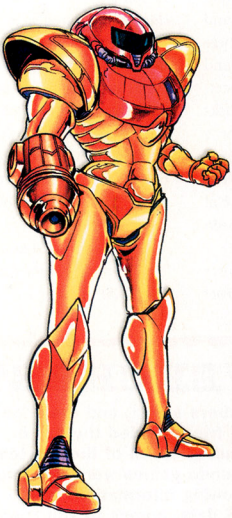

No one who played Super Metroid could ever forget the Metroid's brave sacrifice. Thanks to all the readers who shared their sometimes quite personal tales of video game love and loss.

WHAT'S THE POINT?

I just finished playing Ogre Battle 64, and I'm steamed. I thought I was the big hero, but Destin told me I was being selfish and "only cared about winning battles." Then the ending said "A great hero once led Palatinus in revolution, but his name was long forgotten." What's up with that?! Of course I cared about winning battles! That's the point of the game! If I wasn't concerned I never would have finished the mission! If all games ended like

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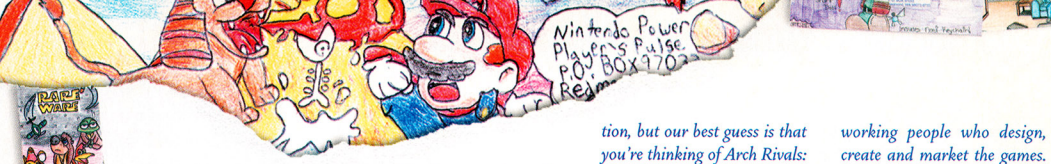


this, people wouldn't buy them since they tell you that you stink once you beat them. Then you and your wife and kids would go bankrupt and get tossed in the gutter, where you'd live off sewer rats and water while begging passers-by for a couple of extra bucks to buy a Winged Hat or a Magic Mushroom or something. Then they just look at you funny and pass on. Ha! Now whose name has been forgotten?!

Alex Linser
Via the Internet

You'll be happy to hear that Ogre Battle 64: Person of Lordly Caliber contains six unique and different endings, so you still have a chance to claim fortune and glory.

INTENTIONAL FOULS

What was the name of the basketball game for the NES that had no fouls and let you tackle your opponent to get the ball? It was really cool, and I'd love to see it on the N64.

Adam Thio
Via the Internet

That's not much of a description, but our best guess is that you're thinking of Arch Rivals: A Basket Brawl, a game which let you slug your opponent before stealing the ball away. If you're still hankering for a no-holds-barred hoopfest, may we suggest Bill Laimbeer's Combat Basketball for the Super NES.

LOVESEAT LACKING

How does Peach live in her castle? Bowser must have stolen all her furniture, since she doesn't have any. And there are no kitchens or bathrooms. Can you give me her address so I can send her some home appliance donations?

Adrianne Halford
Elk Grove, GA

Actually, Peach has solved her furniture dilemma in Paper Mario, as she now has beds, chairs and a complete working kitchen. She still needs a Nintendo 64 and Virtual Boy, however, so she'll have to hope for a mystery gift from Pokémon Gold or Silver.

NO FREE LUNCHES

I found a weird website the other day. It had something called a "Game Boy Color Emulator" which let you play Game Boy games on your computer for free. Is this illegal?

Nick Bright
Via the Internet

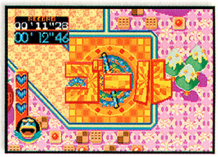
Yes. Not only that, but it takes money away from the hard-working people who design, create and market the games. Video games are like any other commodity—if no one pays for them, the folks who make them will go out of business.

NOT AGAIN! AGH!

There's an upcoming GBC game called Kuru Kuru Kuru-rin. Oddly enough, Kuru is a degenerative nerve disease contracted by touching the brains of deceased individuals. It's the human equivalent of Mad Cow Disease. If the game involves touching brains, I don't think there will be an audience for it.

Shayne Riley
Via the Internet

We thought we'd dealt with our share of "gross gaming stories" with that whole Weedle episode in Issue 137. Never fear—Kuru Kuru Kuru-rin is an addictive puzzler and has nothing whatsoever to do with handling brains, contracting disease or anything like that. Now if you'll excuse us, we're expecting a house call from Dr. Mario!



POWER CHART

The numbers are in, and they don't lie—Pikachu and friends ruled the day in 2000! An astounding seven of the top ten best-selling Nintendo games were Pokémon related. The following information, also known as TRSTS data, comes to you from the good people at The NPD Group, Inc.

YEAR 2000 BEST-SELLERS

1. **Pokémon Gold: 2,900,000**
2. **Pokémon Silver: 2,900,000**
3. **Pokémon Stadium: 2,000,000**
4. **Pokémon Yellow: 2,000,000**
5. **Majora's Mask: 1,300,000**
6. **Pokémon Blue: 1,100,000**
7. **Pokémon Red: 1,100,000**
8. **Pokémon Trading Card Game: 1,000,000**
9. **Super Mario Bros. DX: 995,000**
10. **Mario Party 2: 944,000**

CHECK IT OUT!

Mona Bringer of Ellicott City, MD, sent us the following picture of her son's Game Boy Color. Seems he left it outside for almost two weeks—during which time it was run over by a lawn mower, chewed by a dog and soaked by a number of torrential downpours. Though they had little hope of ever playing it again when they finally found it, they're happy to report that the unit works just as well as ever. Now that's some sturdy construction!

A HEARTY QUESTION

Does Wario have a bad heart? One of my friends was talking about how bad Wario looks, and how much he seems to need a grapefruit diet. I think he has a bad ticker or is going to end up with one.

Rex Durkan
Elizabethtown, KY

While pudgy Wario doesn't possess the sleek, highly toned body of a professional athlete, he does keep in shape by playing tennis, shooting the occasional round of golf and chasing Mario across entire worlds. Besides, as we all know, Wario despises grapefruit.

PASS THE AMMO

In the September issue of NP, your review of T.W.I.N.E. has a picture of the Air Raid level that shows a machine gun on the wing of the refueling jet. I got the game, and it's not there. My cousin says it's not on his game either. Is it a glitch in our games, a typo in NP, or something else? Thanks a lot!

Jesse Burton
Via the Internet

No glitch, no typo. The machine gun was removed from the final version of the game after the September issue went to print.

A FEW ADVANCED QUERIES

I hope you're right when you say that Game Boy Advance will have the biggest launch library in video game history. I like a big selection. I was told by my older bro that two GBA's could link up with one game cartridge. That would save a lot of money for kids, and it would be awesome!

Joe Boccella
Via the Internet

We like big selections too, Joe, and judging by our GBA blowout this month, it shouldn't disappoint. As to your other question: yes! Some of the new GBA titles will allow more than one gamer to play using a single Game Pak—but only on certain modes and/or levels. Other types of game play will still require each user to have his or her own copy of the game.

GRAPHIC GRIPES

This complaint goes out to Aidyn Chronicles. What kind of graphics are those? The people seem to be nothing but blocks with flattened faces. I don't care how much depth your game has, if its graphics aren't up to par, it doesn't mean a thing.

Kenneth Lau
Via the Internet

Though Aidyn Chronicles has a number of redeeming features—such as a great combat system, totally customizable stats and a refreshingly deep plotline—it's graphics or nothing for Mr. Lau. Take a peek at Write Away, Right Away to continue the debate.

OUCH! IT BURNS!

I was studying chemistry at school when I saw a formula listed as HO2H, or HOOH. Naturally, I thought of Ho-oh from Pokémon Gold and Silver! As it turns out, HO2H is the chemical symbol for hydrogen peroxide.

Scizor2
Via the Internet

Just don't try to put the legendary bird on your wounds. That's all we ask.

UNDERWEAR? IT'S UNDER THERE

Hey Ganondorf, boxers or briefs?

Anonymous
Via the Internet

Ganondorf actually wears form-fitting chain mail undies. The last time Link gave him a wedgie, he was out of commission for weeks.

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WRITE AWAY, RIGHT AWAY

Kenneth Lau claims that games without amazing graphics aren't worth a dime. So what's the most important aspect of a game to you? Sound? Play control? The plot? And have you ever found yourself enjoying a game that is lacking in one of your favorite categories? Tell us! Send your responses to the address at the bottom of page nine.

ARTIST'S GALLERY

The latest Artist's Gallery is filled to the brim with your stunning pics, and it's convinced us that Nintendo Power has the most creative readers of any magazine out there. Don't forget to get cracking on art from your favorite sports titles—that's the theme for next month's issue.

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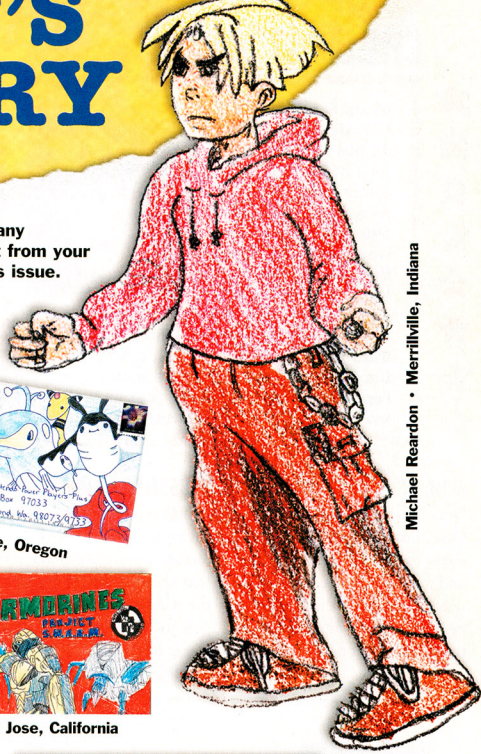

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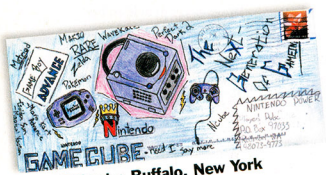

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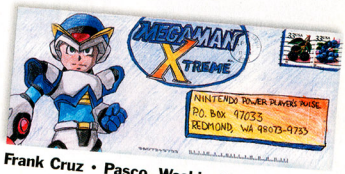

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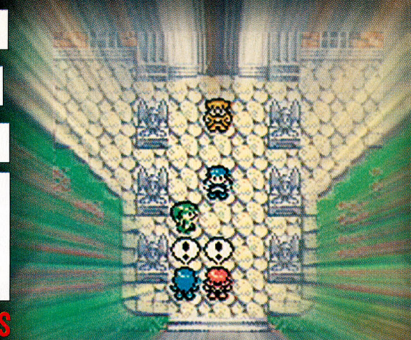

LUFIA: THE LEGEND RETURNS

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GAME BOY TAKES TO THE AIR

Game Boy officially entered the new millennium and took to the airwaves with a link to cellular phones when the Mobile System GB went on sale in Japan. The Mobile System GB includes the Mobile Adapter GB, a network-software cartridge dubbed the "trainer cartridge" and access to Nintendo's Mobile Data Center—a network created exclusively for Game Boy players in Japan. The adapter plugs into the Game Boy Color and most popular mobile phones. Once they're connected to the network, players can exchange game data, send and receive e-mail and even check out gaming information. The biggest news is that there are a ton of Pokémon options. Using the new Pokémon Crystal version, which has Mobile features built-in, players can trade and battle Pokémon remotely through their cell phones. They can enter the Battle Tower, as well, downloading Pokémon teams from champion Trainers, and battle against them off-line. If a player defeats the champion, the challenging player will become the new champion Trainer that other players can challenge. The cost of using the network depends on what players do when they're connected. There is a small charge for entering the Battle Tower, the Japanese equivalent of about 10 cents. Logging onto the news site costs the equivalent of 90 cents, and entering a round of Mobile Stadium costs less than 20 cents. Nintendo Power will have more information on Pokémon Crystal and the possibilities for a North American network soon.

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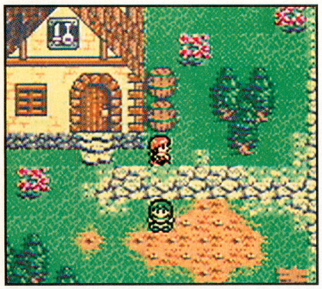
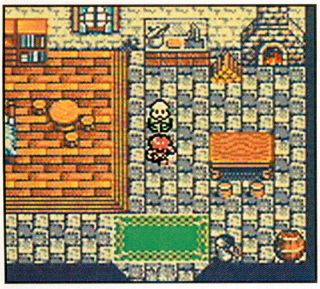
THE LEGEND OF LUFIA GROWS

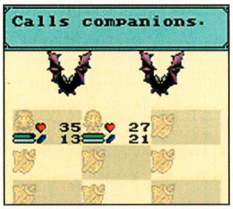
For well over a year, Natsume has been working on Lufia: The Legend Returns for GBC, and the result is a truly epic RPG in the grand tradition of Final Fantasy III. Nintendo Power received the first English language copy of the game in North America to bring you exclusive coverage this month in Game Watch and next month in a special preview. The adventure begins now.

LET'S STORM THE CASTLE

The adventure actually begins in Patos Village, a sleepy hamlet where you live quietly, practicing your swordplay until the day that a stranger appears. The stranger is a woman named Seena from Northland, a fortune-teller who has heard about your reputation as a fighter. At first, she's not impressed with you (go figure), but then she sees you in action when you have to save a child from a fire. That does it. She wants you to join her party. So the first twist in the Lufia story is that you join someone else's quest, not the other way around. It seems that Seena has heard that the four Sinistrals (the bad guys from previous Lufia games) are back in action. Seeking the legendary home of the Sinistrals, Doom Island, she needs your help. Without a second thought, you join up, because that's just the sort of selfless hero you are. The game is full of story-driven drama that builds a sense of who the characters are and gives you direction in your quest.







A-QUESTING WE WILL GO

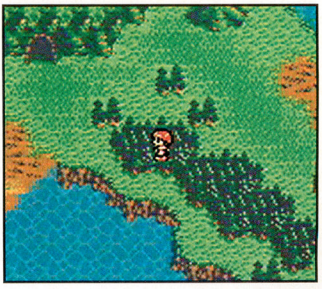
Once you hit the road on your Lufia adventure, expect lots of exploration, beast battles, building up of levels and acquiring information and items. All of that is pretty standard, but there's plenty of novelty for epic fans, too. Lufia features a huge arsenal of cool weapons, powerful magic spells, large parties of as many as nine characters and a vast array of items that range from simple concoctions like Charred Newt to Mystery Potion. If you're new to epic gaming, you'll find that Ibla the trainer can teach you all about the unusual aspects of the game, like the fact that the floor plans of dungeons and towers will change every time you enter them anew.

HIDDEN GEMS

Lufia is filled with unexpected depths of play. In dungeons and towns, you'll find a speed-walk function that lets you tear around like a sprinter—a real time-saver. And when you're in dungeons and towers, you'll have the use of two sword moves for cutting plants, freezing enemies and uncovering hidden passages and traps. You'll see your enemies in dungeons, as well, and you can avoid them or attempt to catch them off guard to enhance your attack. Even more interesting is the battle system itself. Part of the strategy is that you'll have to position your fighters on a three-by-three grid to maximize your power, and your characters can share Spiritual Force—an energy that allows you to learn ancient spells—if they're aligned properly on the grid. The menu system is designed to let players check all their stats with a minimum of button pushing. Sweet. The onboard mapping system is essential since each dungeon is never the same twice. Even the large text characters are a welcome feature of Lufia. It's one of the best structured RPGs ever.

A PLACE IN HISTORY

From comic episodes, melodramatic meetings, heroic battles and sinister plots, Lufia has it all, which is why it is destined to be a classic RPG for Game Boy Color. Natsume plans to release the game by early summer, so save some time—a lot of time when you return to the legend of Lufia.



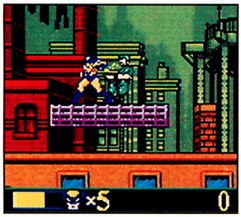
DUTY CALLS THOSE WITH HONOR... AND A BIG SWORD.

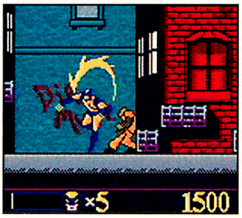
FIRST PLAY

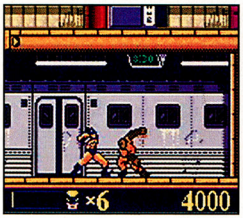
HANDS-ON PREVIEWS OF UPCOMING GAMES

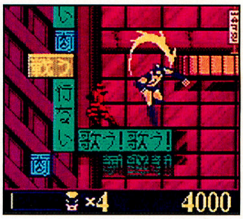
SLASH TV

X-Men: Wolverine's Rage from Activision has a lot going for it for a GBC platformer. For starters, there's Logan, otherwise known as Wolverine, a favorite of the X-Men superheroes. Equipped with healing powers, super-senses and an adamantium-enhanced skeleton, Wolvie is a hard man to stop in the comics or in the game. He'll claw his way through sewers, across city rooftops, past ninja enemies and into a high-tech laboratory, where Lady Deathstrike awaits with a molecular destabilizer that can turn his adamantium skeleton into liquid metal. Your goal is to destroy the destabilizer before it destroys you. Along the way, Wolvie will have to fight Cyber and Sabertooth, as well. There are 20 levels of side-scrolling, brawling action in all. If you need some extra attack strength, you can call on Wolverine's Bestial Rage, but that will deplete your health. If scratching your enemies isn't enough, you can unleash special attacks such as uppercuts and the powerful squat attack. Although Wolverine is known for his regenerative abilities, he is not immune to the many attacks of his foes. And you won't be immune to the action when X-Men: Wolverine's Rage is released later this year.









XENA AND HERC ARRIVE!

Titus's duo of adventure games is finally complete, and we have the finished games to prove it. Titus has created sharp graphics and Zelda-type adventures with lots of characters, items, battles and quests. The stories and adventures of the two games are completely different, and each character has signatures fighting styles and weapons. Even so, players will be able to switch characters from one Game Pak to the other and open up new areas that weren't available to the original character. The interaction between games is the icing on the cake. The mechanics of both games will be familiar to Zelda fans. Salmoneus is your guide for getting started in both adventures and you'll interact with dozens of characters, including Olympians and evil bosses. Both games should be available by the middle of May, and Nintendo Power will help you get started with a double review next month. The golden age of adventuring is here!

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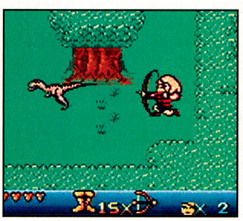

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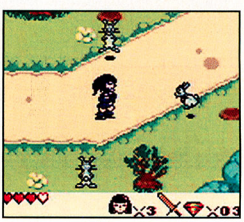
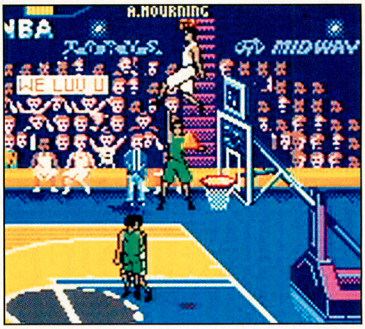
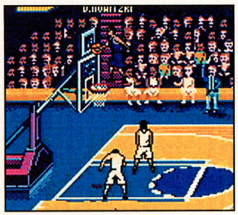


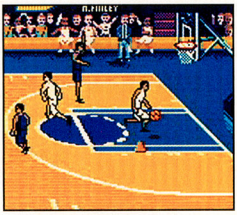
Xena

THE NBA ON GBC

Midway pounds out another winner on the hardcourt with NBA Hoopz for Game Boy Color. The game features three-on-three action with a guard, forward and center for each team. Arcade-inspired turbo boosts give your players bursts of energy for racing down the court or slamming a spectacular dunk shot. Each player has eight rankings, including Power, Speed, Two-Point, Three-Point, Steal, Block, Dunk and Dribble, so you can choose the strongest lineup for your team. In addition to all the NBA players, teams and locations, you'll find hidden courts and coaching tips. There's even a practice mode so you can work on your moves before taking the game to your opponents. Granted, there's not much competition right now for new handheld hoops titles, but Midway and the development crew at Torus Games created a solid, good-looking, arcade-style basketball game that's fun to play and not too outrageous.

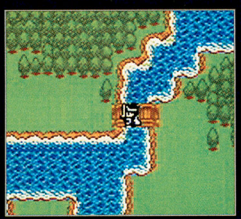


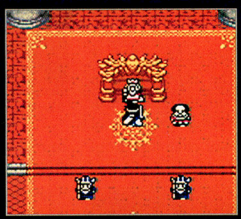


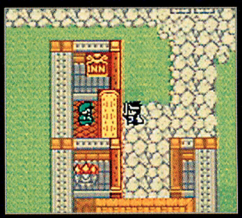


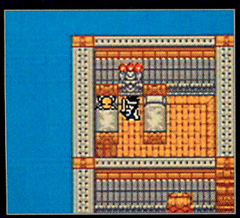
DRAGON DREAMS

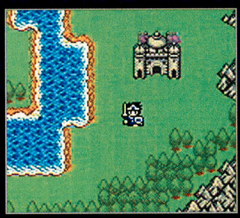
Proceeding under the assumption that a picture is worth a thousand words, your Game Watch editors started playing Dragon Warrior III for Game Boy Color even before we received an English version of the game. We didn't learn much about the story, which is similar to the original NES version in most respects, except that Enix has added some pretty cinema scenes to help tell the tale. We did learn that the faster walking speed for getting around the world makes a huge difference. Dragon Warrior III is truly a zippy game. It's also full of great graphic detail and boasts a super soundtrack that will keep players tuned in. For now, here are some more screen shots to dream about.

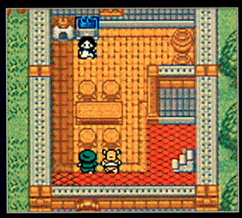


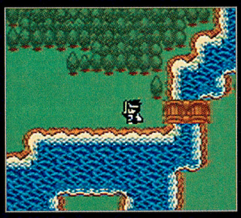












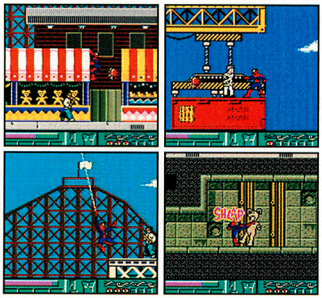
IT MAY NOT BE ADVANCED, BUT IT'S A DEFINITE STEP UP.

N-SIDER NEWS

BREAKING NEWS IN THE WORLD OF GAMES

SPIDEY RETURNS

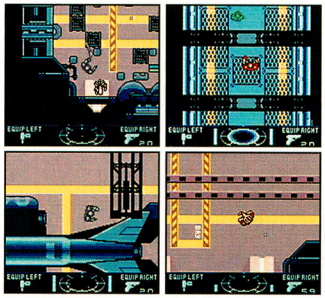
This spring, Spider-Man will swing into action on the GBC in the amazing side-scrolling sequel, **Spider-Man 2: The Sinister Six** from Activision. Torus Games has created one of the most impressive super-hero romps on any platform. The wow factor comes from great moves and graphics. Spidey clings to practically everything in sight, has awesome attacks for battling thugs and swings through the city in search of Aunt May, who has been kidnapped by Doc Oak. You'll find comic book touches such as storyboards and sound effects bubbles that accompany the fighting action. Super-Web power-ups give Spidey extra power for battling bosses like Sandman and Kraven. It's a truly amazing Spider-Man game, and we'll have more on it next month.



Spider-Man 2: The Sinister Six

ALIEN CHEMISTRY

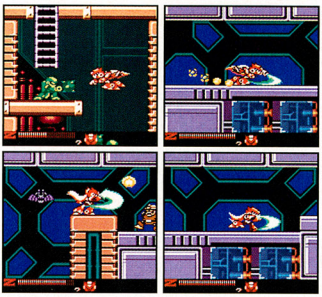
Imagine that you're returning to earth after a deep space mission when you discover a freighter drifting dead in space with acid-spitting aliens trying to implant the crew with parasitic chestbursters. That's the scenario of THQ's Game Boy Color Adventure, **Aliens: Thanatos Encounter**. You have command of a squad of five space marines who must destroy all the aliens before the Thanatos reaches earth. Armed with 12 alien-spanking weapons and a motion-tracking device, you'll try to rescue the Thanatos crewmen and blast aliens. If an alien plants a face-hugger on your marine, you'll have to kiss him goodbye and choose a new marine to fight with. With a variety of alien types and constant, drooling danger, Aliens: Thanatos Encounter should keep players sweating when it reaches earth next month.



Aliens: Thanatos Encounter

MEGA MAN GOES TO EXTREMES

Contrary to some appearances, Capcom isn't focused exclusively on Game Boy Advance these days. **Mega Man Xtreme 2** for Game Boy Color, expected in September, is also on the way. The game takes place after a mysterious incident in a reploid factory. Mega Man X discovers a Maverick with a DNA Soul chip that allows it to take the DNA from other reploids and reproduce them. Mega Man X and Zero must collect the DNA Soul chip to save the world from evil reploid clones. Expect classic side-scrolling action, cool blasters and a high level of challenge from the latest Mega Man adventure.



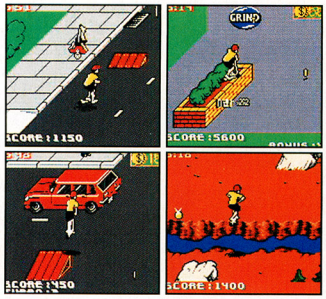
Mega Man Xtreme 2

THQ ADVANCES

The list of Game Boy Advance titles grows this month with six titles headed your way from THQ. Many of THQ's favorite licenses are on the hit parade, including **Rocket Power**, **Rugrats**, **Spongebob Squarepants** and **WWF**. **Jimmy Neutron** is also coming to Advance, as well as a new Scooby-Doo adventure, **Scooby-Doo and the Cyber Chase**. Our sources inside THQ tell us that even more titles are in the works, but that they can't reveal them just yet. We should have screen shots of all the games mentioned above in next month's Game Watch.

CRAVE JOINS THE CRAZE

The scooter craze hits Game Boy Color this spring with **Razor Freestyle Scooter** from Crave Entertainment. Crawfish Interactive has put together a fresh race and stunt combo game that tips its hat to **Tony Hawk's Pro Skater**. Riders can upgrade their ride with better shoes, pads, forks and wheels as they progress in the seven rounds of the Championship Mode and earn prize money. Riders can compete in Racing and Trick Modes, as well. There's even a Multi-player Mode for two players armed with a Game Link Cable.



Razor Freestyle Scooter

XTREME XCITEMENT

Xtreme Wheels from Spike features colossal jumps, a stamina meter and muddy areas that will bog you down. It's a close cousin to **Excitebike** for the NES, but it has sharper graphics, and you use pedal

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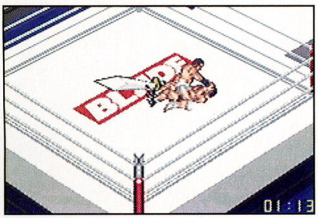
power rather than a motor in the three modes of play—Grand Prix, Time Trial, and Training.

Xtreme Wheels

FURTHER GAMING ADVANCES

BAM! Entertainment is jumping on the Game Boy Advance bandwagon with seven titles for 2001. The first game, to be released on June 11th, will be **Fire Pro Wrestling** from Spike in Japan. The North American version may have a new title, but rest assured that it will be the same game with tons of wrestlers and moves. BAM! will follow up with a packed fall release schedule featuring many of the publisher's top licensed products such as **Dexter's Laboratory** and the **Powerpuff Girls**. BAM! is adding a new sports series, as well, beginning with two titles, **Sports Illustrated 4K Baseball** and **Sports Illustrated 4K Football**. To complete the lineup, BAM! turns to the movies with GBA games based on two upcoming films, **Driven** and **Ecks vs. Sever**. Driven is a racing game, and Ecks vs. Sever is a first-person shooter.

In other Advance news, Natsume plans to publish four titles for GBA, and LEGO is ready to produce **LEGO Island 2: The Brickster's Revenge**, **LEGO Racers 2** and **Bionicle: Tales of Tohunga**. Kemco is planning on June 11th releases for **Top Gear GT Advance** and **Tweety and the Magic Jewels**, both of which are tentative names. Kemco also plans to release several more titles later in the year.



Fire Pro Wrestling

The Legend of Zelda: Oracle of Seasons

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Zelda.com Exploration Guide

The latest incarnation of zelda.com has been dubbed the "Zelda Universe" for a good reason. Not only does the site offer a comprehensive look into the Legend of Zelda game series, but it also gives you a chance to become a part of the Zelda community by way of a ranking system that tests your knowledge of the games, a message board and an ongoing interactive story. In fact, there is so much at the site, you may miss some interesting features if you don't thoroughly explore every section.

When you log on, a circular navigation window showing an overhead view of Link in the middle of a Hyrulian forest will appear. You can direct Link through the forest by placing the mouse pointer near the edge of the window where you want him to walk.

Of the four places to explore, your first destination should be the Temple of Time. From the starting point, follow the path to the east. When you get close to the building, a message will prompt you to enter. Left-click the mouse to bring up a detailed layout of the temple. Move your mouse pointer to single out the two places that you can visit—Acolyte Registration and the Knowledge Challenge. Highlight the registration area and left-click. After you register a user name, a password and your e-mail address, you will be able to participate in all of the activities the site has to offer as long as you are 13 years of age or older.

One of the benefits of registering is gaining access to the map. When you are exploring the world, you can click on the map icon at the bottom of the navigation window to bring up an overview map of the world. It allows you to skip to any location instantly.

Another feature that registration affords you is the chance to participate in a series of six Knowledge Challenges. If you answer 21 of 25 multiple choice questions correctly on one of the six games in the Legend of Zelda series, you will earn a Spiritual Medallion, left of the navigation window. The token of your Zelda knowledge appears in your inventory. When you earn all six Spiritual Medallions, you will be promoted to the rank of Sage.

South of the starting point is the Royal Academy. There you can take a look at walk-throughs and FAQs for every game in the series and PDF files of player's guides for the first four games.

When you travel on the path west of the starting point, you will cross a bridge to the Town Square and Marketplace. There, you can get updated info about Legend of Zelda games and promotions and participate in the interactive story. Registered users are asked to contribute new chapters to an ongoing story. The Sages in our online group will select one entry to be posted from all of the entries received by a certain deadline. After the posting, new entries that carry the story from that point will be accepted.

The message board is located in the Town Square. The Back Alley contains insider info about the making of the games.

Your last major destination is the library, north of the Town Square. It features a Legend of Zelda timeline and a complete Legend of Zelda encyclopedia.

With a treasure chest full of features and activities, zelda.com offers something for every Legend of Zelda fan. Log in and immerse yourself in the Zelda Universe.

QUICK BYTES

POWER PLUG

When you see the "NP" logo in a Nintendo Power strategy article, it means that you can find a movie of the called-out tip at nintendopower.com. This month, you'll find movies that illustrate strategies for the advanced areas of Aidyn Chronicles, Magi-Nation and Pokémon Stadium 2. You'll also see tips for Dr. Mario 64 and Kirby Tilt 'n' Tumble. Check it out!

NEW SITES

Two new official Nintendo sites will go online on April 9th to inform you about a pair of new releases. Tiltntumble.com is the official site for the innovative Game Boy Color game, Kirby Tilt 'n' Tumble, and drmario64.com is the site for information on the perfect cure for boredom—Dr. Mario 64. Both sites feature plenty of screen shots and game play strategies.

COMING SOON

Minigame madness will descend upon Nintendo 64 systems everywhere again when Mario Party 3 makes its debut. Next issue, we'll give you insights into what you can expect from the official site for the game. Just like the game, the site is sure to be a crowd pleaser.

HIT LIST

Nearly every game published by Nintendo has its own dedicated website that provides information, screen shots, strategies and other great features. The Nintendo Online Hit List shows which of those official Nintendo sites saw the most action in the month of January.

1. mariotennis.com
2. zelda.com
3. heyyoupikachu.com
4. pokemonpuzzlechallenge.com
5. zelda64.com

POKEMONSTADIUM.COM

With the release of Pokémon Stadium 2, pokemonstadium.com has become your official site for online news about the Stadium sequel. The site includes an updated Pokédex that gives information and stats on every known Pokémon. It also has a tool that rates Pokémon teams. You can use drop-down menus to enter your favorite Pokémon team then have the site rate the team for balance and overall strength. The top-rated teams will be featured on the website.

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IT'S JUST WHAT THE DOCTOR ORDERED—INFECTIOUS, FOUR-PLAYER PUZZLE FUN!

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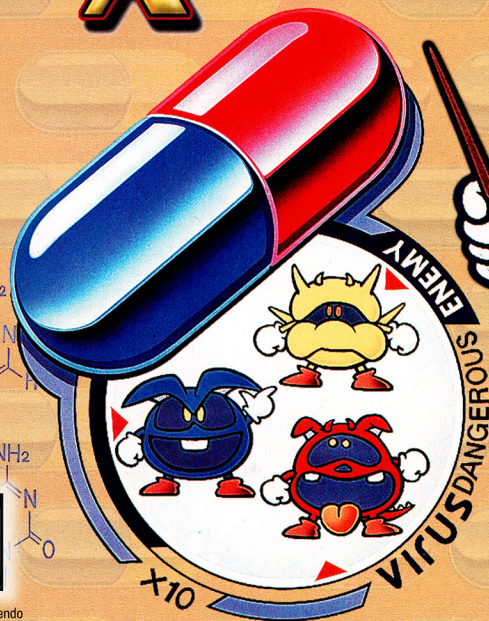

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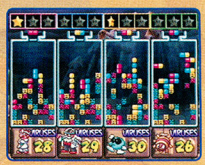
AN OUTBREAK OF FEVERISH ACTION

The N64's cool four-player capability is the best medicine when it comes to curing boredom, and, for the first time since he earned his MD, Dr. Mario is making a house call as a four-player puzzle extravaganza. Forget about eating an apple a day—with its prescription of Tetris- and Pokémon Puzzle League-style play, Dr. Mario 64 is one physician you won't want to keep away.



WHAT'S UP, PLUMBER?

A cross between Tetris and Pokémon Puzzle League, all six of Dr. Mario's main modes send two-toned pills raining down. Colored viruses infect your playing field, and you must position four colors in a row or column to eliminate the germs.

CLASSIC

Six years before Tetris Attack, there was Dr. Mario. To check up on the feverish fun of the 1990 original, play the one-player Classic Mode.

STORY

Playing as either Mario or Wario, you'll unfold Story Mode's tale of stolen Megavitamins. You'll compete against the characters you meet in a race to erase the viruses.

VS. COMPUTER

One player can compete against any combination of three human- and CPU-controlled players. The first to eliminate all of the viruses in the bottle wins.

FLASH

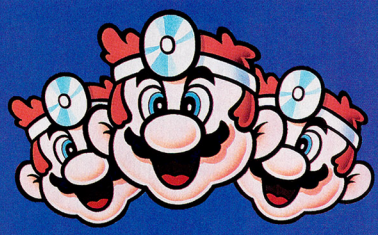
Amid a plague of viruses, you must get rid of only the flu bugs that are flashing. It's harder than it seems, since penetrating the pile for choice viruses takes surgical precision.

MARATHON

As vitamins fall into the bottle, the stack of pills slowly rises. See how long you can last in the thick of Marathon Mode's endless outbreak of viruses.

SCORE ATTACK

Race against the clock to wipe out the viruses while scoring as many points as you can. Win big by using combos (see pages 26 and 27).



IN THE WAITING ROOM

The 12 characters you meet in Story Mode are available for use in Multiplayer and Vs. Modes. Two additional characters will be available once you finish the game on Normal and Hard without using continues. Each character plays at a different skill level when controlled by the CPU, and Mario, Wario and Rudy are three of the top vitamin wranglers in the game.

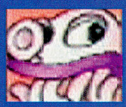
WARIO

SPEARHEAD

WEBBER

SILKY

APPLEBY



JELLYBOB

OCTO

HELIO

LUMP

HAMMER-BOT

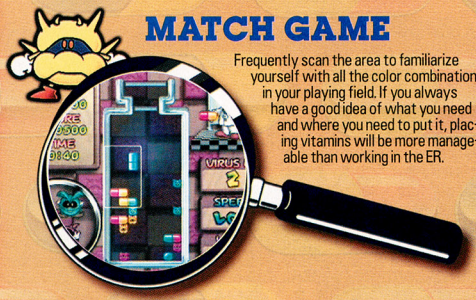
MAD SCIENSTEIN

RUDY

A BETTER PILL TO SWALLOW

When you stack at least four pills of the same color, you'll eliminate all viruses and pill segments linked in that chain. Carelessness and malpractice will bury the viruses under mismatched pills. Use the pointers below to avoid being a quack.

MATCH GAME



Frequently scan the area to familiarize yourself with all the color combinations in your playing field. If you always have a good idea of what you need and where you need to put it, placing vitamins will be more manageable than working in the ER.

IN THE WINGS

When figuring out where to place a pill, plan ahead by taking a quick peek at Mario in the upper-right corner of the screen. The good doctor will have your next vitamin on display, so take your follow-up pill into account when making your move.

GARBAGE IN/OUT

By scoring combos, you'll drop pill segments (two to four, depending on the size of your combo) on your opponent. Whenever your rival dumps "garbage" on you, take out the trash immediately before more mismatched pieces pile up.

PHARMACEUTICAL FABLE

In Story Mode, you'll venture out as Mario or Wario in search of the prized—and stolen—Megavitamins that can cure the flu. Every step of the way, you'll meet new characters whom you must battle.

A LONG HOUSE CALL

The game begins at the start of flu season. The greedy Mad Scienstein has stolen Dr. Mario's Megavitamins, and Mario and Wario race against one another to recover the valuable pills.

IN THE WOODS

In addition to flu bugs, you'll have to deal with plain, ol' bugs, like Webber. When along comes the spider in Stage 3, Mario or Wario will have to outplay it to stay on the trail of the fleeing Mad Scienstein.

IN THE CLOUDS

The difficulty level determines how many viruses infect each stage. In Stage 6, you'll take to the sky to cure the area of 24 viruses (Easy), 36 viruses (Normal) or 60 viruses (Hard).

FINDING THE CURE

In Stage 7 on Normal and Hard, you'll play a four-player match against Wario (or Mario), Mad Scienstein and his robot. Once you've defeated them, you'll head to Story Mode's final showdown—Stage 8 starring Rudy.

CALL THE DOCTOR

His role as a doctor certainly explains why he plays Mario Golf, but when did Mario find the time to become a physician? Find out in his medical history.

Oct. 1985

After debuting on the NES in Super Mario Bros., Mario realizes he should moonlight as a doctor since his insurance couldn't possibly cover him from all the hazards of the Mushroom Kingdom.

Aug. 1989

The first seeds of Dr. Mario (as well as almost every other puzzle game out there) are planted when Tetris debuts on Game Boy and takes the world like a contagious cold—minus the phlegm.

Oct. 1990

By adding target items to eliminate and colors to coordinate, Dr. Mario adds a unique spin to stack-'em-up puzzling. One year after Tetris, Dr. Mario makes his first house call on the NES.

COUGHING UP MORE TIPS

As the saying goes, you should feed a fever. In Dr. Mario 64's case, you should feed it Megavitamins. By mastering pill placement and color coordinating, you'll be able to play a healthy game of germ warfare.

THE PRACTICE

Before you can become a doctor, you should get plenty of experience interning with the various modes of play. The assorted setups will let you perfect your technique and help you gain your residency.

HOOKED ON CLASSIC

Play Classic Mode to work on your basic techniques. Since it doesn't pit you against another pill piler, you won't have to mess with falling garbage. Instead, you can devote your time to setting up combos.

HEAD-TO-HEAD

Test your basic skills and see how well you can deal out combos and deal with garbage in Vs. Computer Mode. Play on easy boards against fast and fierce competitors like Rudy to learn and try out efficient and effective techniques.

SCORING POINTS

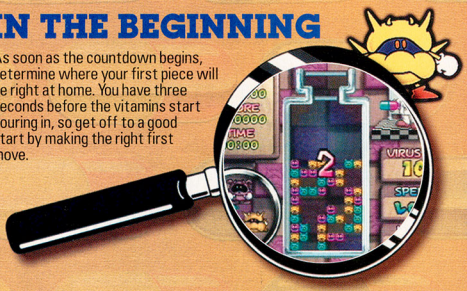
Since the timed Score Attack rewards points for combos, you can measure how fast you can string together chains of matching colors by playing it. If you're raking in points, you're building good combos.

GO THE DISTANCE

Knowing how to clear a path is the key to Dr. Mario 64, and Marathon Mode can help you master your technique. Since the pills are constantly rising row by row, you must continually skim off the layers. Keep practicing until you can last several minutes.

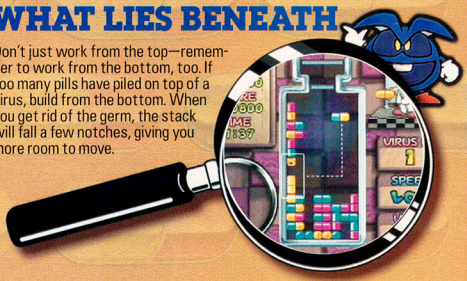
IN THE BEGINNING

As soon as the countdown begins, determine where your first piece will be right at home. You have three seconds before the vitamins start pouring in, so get off to a good start by making the right first move.



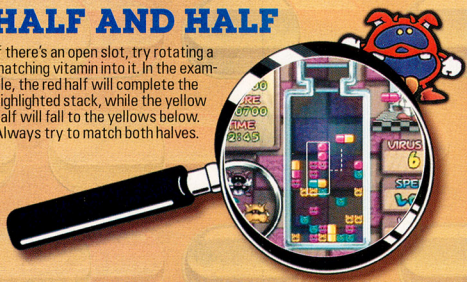
WHAT LIES BENEATH

Don't just work from the top—remember to work from the bottom, too. If too many pills have piled on top of a virus, build from the bottom. When you get rid of the germ, the stack will fall a few notches, giving you more room to move.



HALF AND HALF

If there's an open slot, try rotating a matching vitamin into it. In the example, the red half will complete the highlighted stack, while the yellow half will fall to the yellows below. Always try to match both halves.

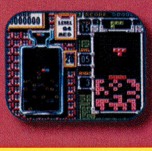


EMERGENCY! EMERGENCY!

Dec. 1990

Two months after Dr. Mario sets up practice on the NES, the plumber-turned-physician opens his office on Game Boy to treat players for their puzzle addiction.

Dec. 1994



Two puzzle greats combined in one Super NES Game Pak, Tetris and Dr. Mario give gamers a double dose of brain-busting fun for the price of one.

Apr. 2001

DR. MARIO 64

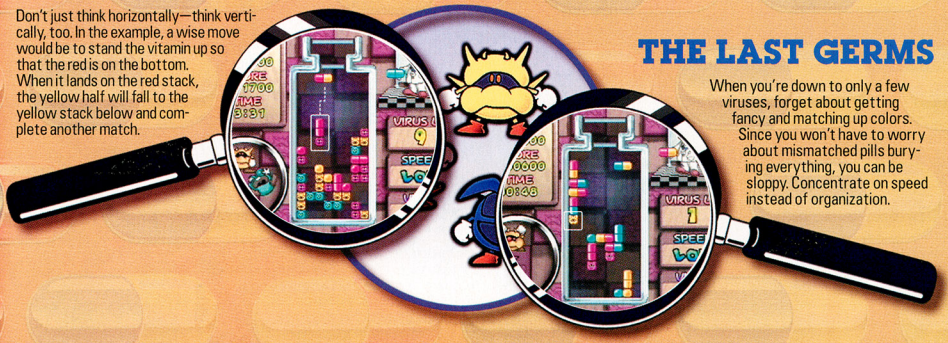
For the first time in his medical career, Dr. Mario becomes a four-player game on N64.

A SECOND OPINION... AND A THIRD AND A FOURTH!

A great medical breakthrough, Dr. Mario 64's Multiplayer Mode is the perfect place to practice your skills. Whether you're playing a battle royal or a two-on-two Team Battle, the garbage sent from combos will change everyone's strategies in a moment's notice. Be the one who's sending the garbage—not receiving it—by mastering the following combo techniques.

VERTICAL LIMIT

Don't just think horizontally—think vertically, too. In the example, a wise move would be to stand the vitamin up so that the red is on the bottom. When it lands on the red stack, the yellow half will fall to the yellow stack below and complete another match.

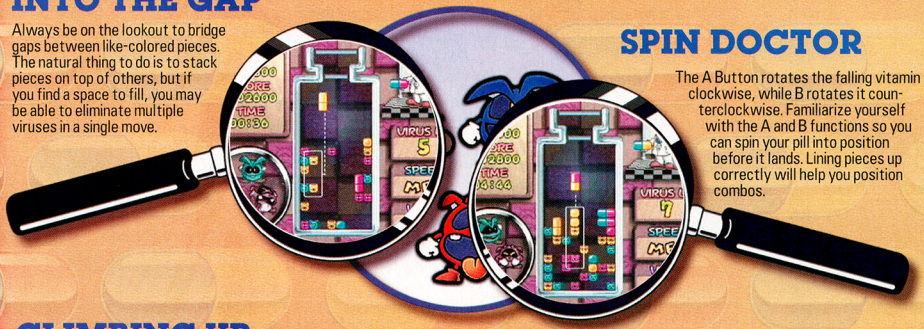


THE LAST GERMS

When you're down to only a few viruses, forget about getting fancy and matching up colors. Since you won't have to worry about mismatched pills burying everything, you can be sloppy. Concentrate on speed instead of organization.

INTO THE GAP

Always be on the lookout to bridge gaps between like-colored pieces. The natural thing to do is to stack pieces on top of others, but if you find a space to fill, you may be able to eliminate multiple viruses in a single move.

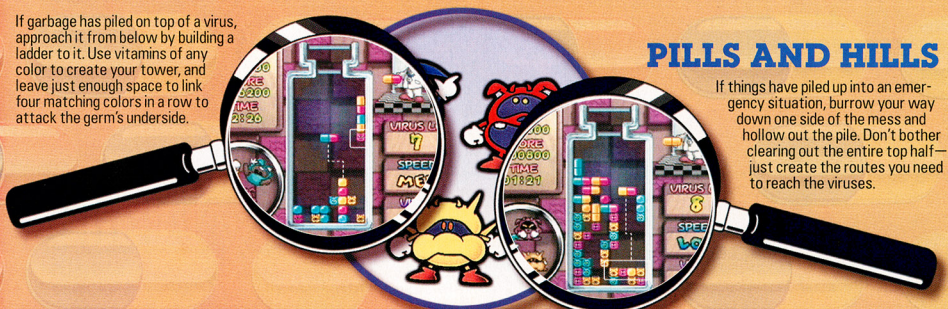


SPIN DOCTOR

The A Button rotates the falling vitamin clockwise, while B rotates it counterclockwise. Familiarize yourself with the A and B functions so you can spin your pill into position before it lands. Lining pieces up correctly will help you position combos.

CLIMBING UP

If garbage has piled on top of a virus, approach it from below by building a ladder to it. Use vitamins of any color to create your tower, and leave just enough space to link four matching colors in a row to attack the germ's underside.



PILLS AND HILLS

If things have piled up into an emergency situation, burrow your way down one side of the mess and hollow out the pile. Don't bother clearing out the entire top half—just create the routes you need to reach the viruses.

SIMPLE COMBO

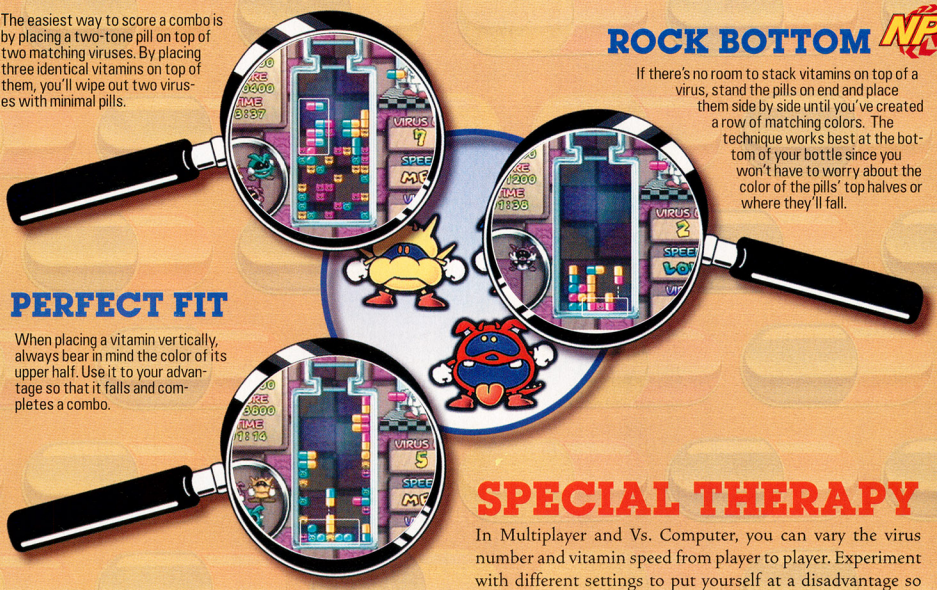
The easiest way to score a combo is by placing a two-tone pill on top of two matching viruses. By placing three identical vitamins on top of them, you'll wipe out two viruses with minimal pills.

ROCK BOTTOM

If there's no room to stack vitamins on top of a virus, stand the pills on end and place them side by side until you've created a row of matching colors. The technique works best at the bottom of your bottle since you won't have to worry about the color of the pills' top halves or where they'll fall.

PERFECT FIT

When placing a vitamin vertically, always bear in mind the color of its upper half. Use it to your advantage so that it falls and completes a combo.

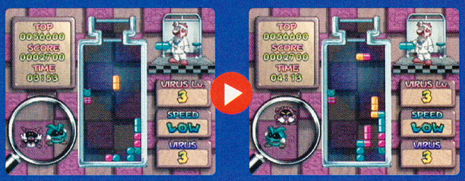


SPECIAL THERAPY

In Multiplayer and Vs. Computer, you can vary the virus number and vitamin speed from player to player. Experiment with different settings to put yourself at a disadvantage so you can test your combo-building skills.

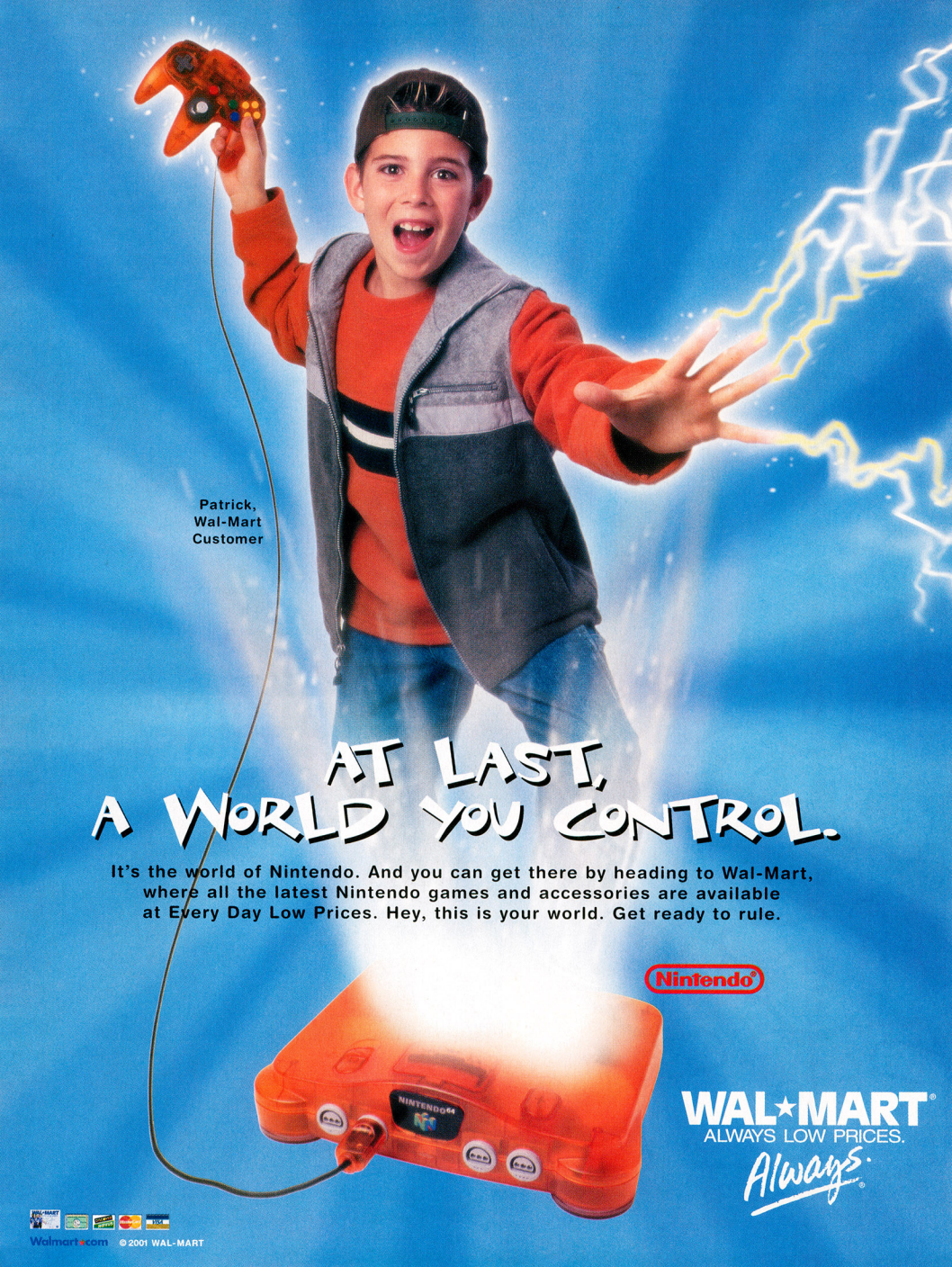
CONTINUING EDUCATION

For more practice, play Classic Mode and leave one virus untouched so the stage never ends. Using the vitamins that continue to fall, place them in different arrangements to work out elaborate combo setups.



DIAGNOSIS: FUN!

More exacting than Tetris and a tad more laid-back than Tetris Attack and Pokémon Puzzle League, Dr. Mario 64 is the wonder cure for puzzle fans who want feverish action and four-player thrills. Tetris has never gone out of style, and neither will Dr. Mario 64. The doctor is in.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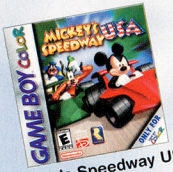

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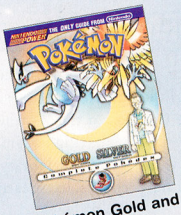

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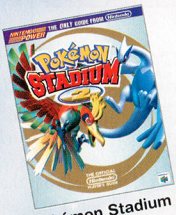

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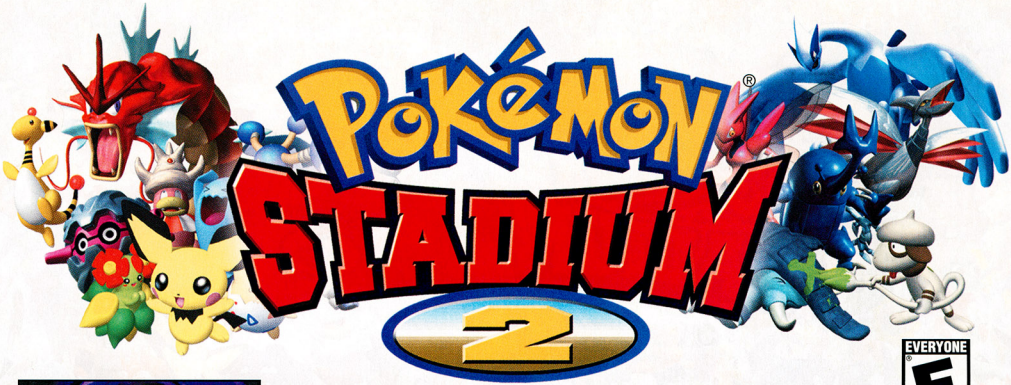

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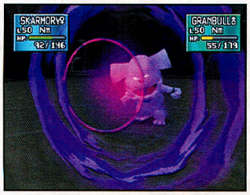
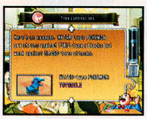


Our second go-around with Pokémon Stadium 2's tough Trainers sent us straight to the Pokémon Academy for some serious studying. The battles are harder than ever in Pokémon Stadium 2, and you'll have a better chance of winning if you take a break from battling to study instead.

EARL'S POKéMON ACADEMY

In Pokémon Stadium 2, you'll have the chance to enter the Academy and take Earl's enlightening classes, which cover everything from Move Combos to the Weather. Be sure to check out the Library—it's an amazing Pokémon reference. Gold and Silver info won't be in the Library until you've taken and passed all of Earl's classes, lectures and skill tests.

Lectures



Sit in on Earl's lectures. You'll learn many interesting facts about moves, items, combos, Eggs and more. Earl quizzes you after each lecture.

Test Your Wisdom and Skill

After you've completed all the lectures, you'll take a long quiz. If you pass it, you'll be able to take the Skill Test, which tests your knowledge in battle.

Items and Pokémon

The Library has info on every known item and Pokémon. Look up each Pokémon to see its evolutionary chain, what moves it can learn and more.

Moves

You can check the Library for info on every move, including which Pokémon can learn the move and how each Pokémon learns it.

Type Matchups

The Library also has the most complete Type Matchup chart ever produced—it even allows you to see matchups for dual-types.

Egg Groups

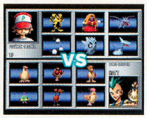
If you're having trouble breeding Pokémon, check the Egg Groups section to figure out which Pokémon can produce Eggs together.

RAISING POKéMON

The best way to tackle the battles in Pokémon Stadium 2 is to use your own raised Pokémon. We've put together a few tips to get you started.

RAISING POKéMON FOR THE GYM LEADER CASTLE

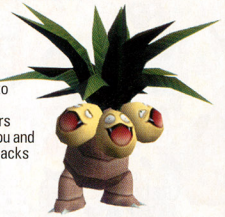
Check the Competition



Look carefully at your opponents' teams. They're typically related thematically by type, attacks or combos or a mixture of the three. When you understand your opponent's strategy, you can counter it with your own Pokémon and attacks.

Don't Share Weaknesses

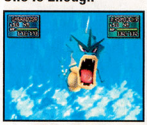
Don't create a team of only one type to counter the Gym members' teams of mostly one type. Many of the members are prepared for that strategy from you and have equipped their Pokémon with attacks your Pokémon will be weak against.



Watch Your Levels

Make sure your Pokémon are near the same level and at least at level 50. The castle battlers' Pokémon will be at level 50 unless your Pokémon are at a higher level. In that case, your opponents' Pokémon will be at the same level as your highest-level Pokémon.

One Is Enough



You don't need to double-up on similar moves, even in the Gym Leader Castle. Two or more moves that have similar effects, like Surf, Hydro Pump and Waterfall, aren't really necessary. Choose one that is reliable and powerful and leave the others out.

GENERAL POKéMON TIPS

Remember Your Limits

Remember that even if your Pokémon has moves (that match its type) that the opponent is weak against, it doesn't mean that your Pokémon will automatically also have a resistance to the opposing Pokémon's attacks.

Resistance is Good

Sometimes it's good to use a Pokémon whose types are resistant to the opposing Pokémon's attacks. For example, you might want to use a Flying-type when facing lots of Ground-types—as long as they don't have any Rock-type moves!

Dual-Type Discourse

Dual-type Pokémon can be an enormous help in many battles, but be careful. Depending on the opponent, they may have double the strength or double the weakness. Always think about both of a Pokémon's types before using it.

Make Your Move

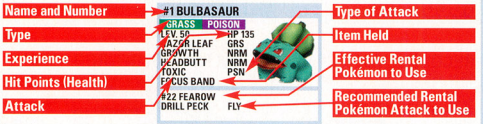
Raise Pokémon whose moves work with their strengths and cover their weaknesses. If you're raising an Alakazam, for instance, give it Psychic, which takes advantage of its high Special attack, and Reflect, which covers for its low defense.

GYM LEADER CASTLE

The most frustrating things about the Gym Leader Castle are that you can't earn continues for perfect games and if you lose a match at any time in a Gym, you have to start over from the beginning of that Gym. That's rough. Many of the Trainers in the Gym have a Pokémon preference of some sort you can use against them in battle.

POKéMON STAT CHART

We're recommending one good Rental Pokémon to use against each of the opponent's Pokémon, and we've included the attacks to use, too.



VIOLET GYM

The members of the Violet Gym are pretty straightforward—they love Flying-type Pokémon. If you counter them with your own Ice-, Rock- and Electric-types, you'll do very well in this Gym.

RECOMMENDED RENTAL TEAM FOR VIOLET GYM

#82 MAGNETON	#124 JYNX	#125 ELECTABUZZ	#142 AERODACTYL	#227 SKARMORY	#247 PUPITAR
ELECTRIC STEEL	ICE PSYCHIC	ELECTRIC	ROCK FLYING	STEEL FLYING	ROCK GROUND
LEV. 50 HP 131	LEV. 50 HP 146	LEV. 50 HP 146	LEV. 50 HP 158	LEV. 50 HP 146	LEV. 50 HP 155
THUNDER ELC	ICE PUNCH ICE	THUNDERPUNCH ELC	ANCIENT POWER RCK	STEEL WING STL	ROCK SLIDE RCK
SWIFT NRM	CONFUSION PSY	SWIFT NRM	BITE DRK	FLY FLY	DIG GRD
FLASH NRM	LICK GHO	LIGHT SCREEN PSY	CURSE ???	FURY ATTACK NRM	HYPER BEAM NRM
THUNDER WAVE ELC	MEAN LOOK NRM	LEER NRM	SUPERSONIC NRM	AGILITY PSY	SCREECH NRM

BATTLE 1 - BIRD KEEPER MATT

#16 PIDGASH	#163 HOOTASH	#21 SPEARASH	#177 NUTASH	#84 DODUASH	#17 PIDGEOASH
NORMAL FLYING	NORMAL FLYING	NORMAL FLYING	PSYCHIC FLYING	NORMAL FLYING	NORMAL FLYING
LEV. 50 HP 125	LEV. 50 HP 145	LEV. 50 HP 125	LEV. 50 HP 125	LEV. 50 HP 120	LEV. 50 HP 148
FLY FLY	PECK FLY	FLY FLY	PECK FLY	PECK FLY	GUST FLY
AGILITY PSY	FORESIGHT NRM	AGILITY PSY	LEER NRM	AGILITY PSY	AGILITY PSY
QUICK ATTACK NRM	CONFUSION PSY	FURY ATTACK NRM	ENDURE NRM	FURY ATTACK NRM	QUICK ATTACK NRM
SWIFT NRM	FLASH NRM	MIRROR MOVE FLY	FLASH NRM	TRI ATTACK NRM	SWIFT NRM
BERRY	PSNCUREBERRY	ICE BERRY	MINT BERRY	BITTER BERRY	PRZCUREBERRY
#124 JYNX	#124 JYNX	#124 JYNX	#124 JYNX	#124 JYNX	#124 JYNX
ICE PUNCH ICE	ICE PUNCH ICE	ICE PUNCH ICE	ICE PUNCH ICE	ICE PUNCH ICE	ICE PUNCH ICE

BATTLE 2- GYM LEADER FALKNER

#18 PIDGEOT — NORMAL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 167
FLY	FLY
MUD-SLAP	GRD
QUICK ATTACK	NRM
WHIRLWIND	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#142 AERODACTYL
ANCIENT POWER RCK

#83 FARFETCH'D — NORMAL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 136
FLY	FLY
SLASH	NRM
MUD-SLAP	GRD
FALSE SWIPE	NRM
STICK	

#142 AERODACTYL
ANCIENT POWER RCK

#164 NOCTOWL — NORMAL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 192
FLY	FLY
CONFUSION	PSY
TAKE DOWN	NRM
MUD-SLAP	GRD
MINT BERRY	

#142 AERODACTYL
ANCIENT POWER RCK

#225 DELIBIRD — ICE / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 137
PRESENT	FLY
MUD-SLAP	GRD
HEADBUTT	NRM
BLIZZARD	ICE
BITTER BERRY	

#142 AERODACTYL
ANCIENT POWER RCK

#22 FEAROW — NORMAL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 149
DRILL PECK	FLY
MUD-SLAP	GRD
MIRROR MOVE	FLY
SWIFT	NRM
SHARP BEAK	

#142 AERODACTYL
ANCIENT POWER RCK

#176 TOGETIC — NORMAL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 139
FLY	FLY
DOUBLE-EDGE	NRM
PSYCHIC	PSY
FIRE BLAST	FIR
BURNT BERRY	

#125 ELECTABUZZ
THUNDERPUNCH ELC

AZALEA GYM

Fearow will make quick work out of many of the Azalea Gym's Pokémon. Watch out for Min and Lyn, who don't care for Bug-types the way the rest of the Trainers in the Gym do.

RECOMMENDED RENTAL TEAM FOR AZALEA GYM

#22 FEAROW — NORMAL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 150
DRILL PECK	FLY
HYPER BEAM	NRM
PURSUIT	DRK
TOXIC	PSN

#64 KADABRA — PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 125
PSYCHIC	PSY
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
REFLECT	PSY
KINESIS	PSY

#75 GRAVELER — ROCK / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 142
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
ROLLOUT	RCK
SELFDESTRUCT	NRM
SANDSTORM	RCK

#106 HITMONLEE — FIGHTING

LEV. 50	HP 133
HI JUMP KICK	FTG
MEGA KICK	FTG
MUD-SLAP	GRD
MEDITATE	PSY

#117 SEADRA — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 140
SURF	WTR
DRAGONBREATH	DRG
SWIFT	NRM
SMOKESCREEN	NRM

#212 SCIZOR — BUG / STEEL

LEV. 50	HP 149
METAL CLAW	STL
CUT	NRM
AGILITY	PSY
LEER	NRM

BATTLE 1- BUG CATCHER CHAZ

#193 YANMY — BUG / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 151
SWIFT	NRM
FORESIGHT	NRM
QUICK ATTACK	NRM
SONICBOOM	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#22 FEAROW
DRILL PECK FLY

#167 SPINARY — BUG / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 126
PSYCHIC	PSY
NIGHT SHADE	GHO
SCARY FACE	NRM
DIG	GRD
PSNCUREBERRY	

#22 FEAROW
DRILL PECK FLY

#213 SHUCKLY — BUG / ROCK

LEV. 50	HP 106
ROLLOUT	RCK
CONSTRICT	NRM
ROCK SMASH	RCK
BIDE	NRM
BURNT BERRY	

#117 SEADRA
SURF WTR

#19 RATTATY — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 116
HYPER FANG	NRM
QUICK ATTACK	NRM
FOCUS ENERGY	NRM
DIG	GRD
MINT BERRY	

#212 SCIZOR
METAL CLAW STL

#46 PARASY — BUG / GRASS

LEV. 50	HP 121
SLASH	NRM
LEECH LIFE	BUG
DIG	GRD
STUN SPORE	GRS
SILVER POWDER	

#22 FEAROW
DRILL PECK FLY

#74 GEODUDEY — ROCK / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 126
DIG	GRD
HARDEN	NRM
ROCK THROW	RCK
TACKLE	NRM
HARD STONE	

#117 SEADRA
SURF WTR

BATTLE 2- TWINS MIN & LYN

#165 LEDLED — BUG / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 126
SWEET SCENT	NRM
COMET PUNCH	NRM
SUPERSONIC	NRM
DOUBLE-EDGE	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#22 FEAROW
DRILL PECK FLY

#191 SUNSUN — GRASS

LEV. 50	HP 116
SWEET SCENT	NRM
MEGA DRAIN	GRS
ABSORB	GRS
GROWTH	NRM
MINT BERRY	

#22 FEAROW
DRILL PECK FLY

#39 JIGGJIGG — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 209
CHARM	NRM
BODY SLAM	NRM
DISABLE	NRM
NIGHTMARE	GHO
BITTER BERRY	

#106 HITMONLEE
HI JUMP KICK FTG

#187 HOPHOP — GRASS / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 121
SWEET SCENT	NRM
MEGA DRAIN	GRS
TACKLE	NRM
COTTON SPORE	GRS
MIRACLE SEED	

#22 FEAROW
DRILL PECK FLY

#25 PIKAPIKA — ELECTRIC

LEV. 50	HP 121
CHARM	NRM
THUNDERSHOCK	ELC
THUNDER WAVE	ELC
SWIFT	NRM
LIGHT BALL	

#75 GRAVELER
EARTHQUAKE GRD

#35 CLEFCLEF — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 156
CHARM	NRM
DOUBLE SLAP	NRM
METRONOME	NRM
LIGHT SCREEN	PSY
PSNCUREBERRY	

#106 HITMONLEE
HI JUMP KICK FTG

BATTLE 3- GYM LEADER BUGSY

#123 SCYTHER — BUG / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 167
FURY CUTTER	BUG
WING ATTACK	FLY
SLASH	NRM
HYPER BEAM	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#22 FEAROW
DRILL PECK FLY

#12 BUTTERFREE — BUG / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 152
PSYCHIC	PSY
GIGA DRAIN	GRS
GUST	FLY
NIGHTMARE	GHO
PSNCUREBERRY	

#22 FEAROW
DRILL PECK FLY

#15 BEEDRILL — BUG / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 149
TWINEEDLE	BUG
POISON STING	PSN
SLUDGE BOMB	PSN
CUT	NRM
MINT BERRY	

#64 KADABRA
PSYCHIC PSY

#70 WEEPINBELL — GRASS / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 157
RAZOR LEAF	GRS
SLUDGE BOMB	PSN
CUT	NRM
WRAP	NRM
BERRY	

#64 KADABRA
PSYCHIC PSY

#127 PINSIR — BUG

LEV. 50	HP 149
STRENGTH	NRM
SUBMISSION	FTG
BIND	NRM
SEISMIC TOSS	FTG
BITTER BERRY	

#22 FEAROW
DRILL PECK FLY

#247 PUPITAR — ROCK / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 154
ROCK SLIDE	RCK
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
HEADBUTT	NRM
SLEEP TALK	NRM
ICE BERRY	

#117 SEADRA
SURF WTR

GOLDENROD GYM

Goldenrod's Trainers like to use strong Normal-types, but not exclusively, which makes it hard to pick the perfect team to use against them. Go with diversity for a clean win.

RECOMMENDED RENTAL TEAM FOR GOLDENROD GYM

#75 GRAVELER — ROCK / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 142
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
ROLLOUT	RCK
SELFDESTRUCT	NRM
SANDSTORM	RCK

#125 ELECTABUZZ — ELECTRIC

LEV. 50	HP 146
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
SWIFT	NRM
LIGHT SCREEN	PSY
LEER	NRM

#142 AERODACTYL — ROCK / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 158
ANCIENT POWER	RCK
BITE	DRK
CURSE	???
SUPERSONIC	NRM

#199 SLOWKING — WATER / PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 176
PSYCHIC	PSY
WATER GUN	WTR
DISABLE	NRM
GROWL	NRM

#227 SKARMORY — STEEL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 146
STEEL WING	STL
FLY	FLY
FURY ATTACK	NRM
AGILITY	PSY

#248 TYRANITAR — ROCK / DARK

LEV. 50	HP 160
BITE	DRK
MUD-SLAP	GRD
LEER	NRM
SANDSTORM	RCK

BATTLE 1- LASS LOIS

#216 TEDDIETTE — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 146
SLASH	NRM
CUT	NRM
LICK	GHO
FURY SWIPES	NRM
PSNCUREBERRY	

#227 SKARMORY
STEEL WING STL

#183 MARILLETTE — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 156
SURF	WTR
DOUBLE-EDGE	NRM
ICE PUNCH	ICE
TAIL WHIP	NRM
MYSTIC WATER	

#125 ELECTABUZZ
THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#52 MEOWETTE — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 126
SLASH	NRM
MUD-SLAP	GRD
PAY DAY	NRM
FURY SWIPES	GRD
MINT BERRY	

#227 SKARMORY
STEEL WING STL

#231 PHANPETTE — GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 176
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
DOUBLE-EDGE	NRM
ROLLOUT	RCK
STRENGTH	NRM
SOFT SAND	

#227 SKARMORY
STEEL WING STL

#60 WAGETTE — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 126
SURF	WTR
BLIZZARD	ICE
BODY SLAM	NRM
PSYCHIC	PSY
PRZCUREBERRY	

#125 ELECTABUZZ
THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#209 SNUBETTE — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 146
TAKE DOWN	NRM
ROAR	NRM
ICE PUNCH	ICE
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
PINK BOW	

#248 TYRANITAR
BITE DRK

BATTLE 2- BEAUTY RITA

#190 AIPODY — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 141
ATTRACT	NRM
SWIFT	NRM
AGILITY	PSY
FURY SWIPES	NRM
MINT BERRY	

#227 SKARMORY
STEEL WING STL

#179 MAREEDY — ELECTRIC

LEV. 50	HP 141
ATTRACT	NRM
THUNDERSHOCK	ELC
TACKLE	NRM
LIGHT SCREEN	PSY
MAGNET	

#75 GRAVELER
EARTHQUAKE GRD

#50 DIGDY — GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 96
ATTRACT	NRM
MAGNITUDE	GRD
GROWL	NRM
SLASH	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#227 SKARMORY
STEEL WING STL

#77 PONYDY — FIRE

LEV. 50	HP 136
ATTRACT	NRM
EMBER	FIR
STOMP	NRM
AGILITY	PSY
CHARCOAL	

#75 GRAVELER
EARTHQUAKE GRD

#223 REMORADY — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 121
ATTRACT	NRM
PSYBEAM	PSY
AURORA BEAM	ICE
BUBBLEBEAM	WTR
BERRY	

#199 SLOWKING
PSYCHIC PSY

#161 SENTDY — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 121
ATTRACT	NRM
SLAM	NRM
QUICK ATTACK	NRM
AMNESIA	PSY
BITTER BERRY	

#75 GRAVELER
EARTHQUAKE GRD

BATTLE 3- GYM LEADER WHITNEY

#241 MILTANK — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 181
STOMP	NRM
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
ROLLOUT	RCK
BIDE	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#36 CLEFABLE — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 181
DOUBLE SLAP	NRM
PSYCHIC	PSY
THUNDER	ELC
FIRE BLAST	FIR
MINT BERRY	

#40 WIGGLYTUFF — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 226
DOUBLE-EDGE	NRM
PSYCHIC	PSY
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
ICE PUNCH	ICE
PSNCUREBERRY	

#44 GLOOM — GRASS / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 146
PETAL DANCE	GRS
SLUDGE BOMB	PSN
SOLARBEAM	GRS
GIGA DRAIN	GRS
BITTER BERRY	

#85 DODRIO — NORMAL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 146
DRILL PECK	FLY
TRI ATTACK	NRM
FURY ATTACK	NRM
SLEEP TALK	NRM
BURNT BERRY	

#234 STANTLER — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 159
TAKE DOWN	NRM
PSYCHIC	PSY
HEADBUTT	NRM
SWIFT	NRM
ICE BERRY	

#227 SKARMORY	
FLY	FLY

#75 GRAVELER	
EARTHQUAKE	GRD

#227 SKARMORY	
FLY	FLY

#75 GRAVELER	
EARTHQUAKE	GRD

#199 SLOWKING	
PSYCHIC	PSY

#75 GRAVELER	
EARTHQUAKE	GRD

ECRUTEAK GYM

While you will find plenty of Ghost- and Poison-types within Ecruteak Gym, you'll also find plenty of other types to battle. Once again, a diverse team is your best bet.

RECOMMENDED RENTAL TEAM FOR ECRUTEAK GYM

#6 CHARIZARD — FIRE / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 156
FIRE PUNCH	FIR
WING ATTACK	FLY
GROWL	NRM
SCARY FACE	NRM

#64 KADABRA — PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 125
PSYCHIC	PSY
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
REFLECT	PSY
KINESIS	PSY

#117 SEADRA — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 140
SURF	WTR
DRAGONBREATH	DRG
SWIFT	NRM
SMOKESCREEN	NRM

#125 ELECTABUZZ — ELECTRIC

LEV. 50	HP 146
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
SWIFT	NRM
LIGHT SCREEN	PSY
LEER	NRM

#197 UMBREON — DARK

LEV. 50	HP 173
FAINT ATTACK	DRK
QUICK ATTACK	NRM
SAND-ATTACK	GRD
MEAN LOOK	NRM

#227 SKARMORY — STEEL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 146
STEEL WING	STL
FLY	FLY
FURY ATTACK	NRM
AGILITY	PSY

BATTLE 1- MEDIUM HOLLY

#69 SPROUTIUM — GRASS / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 137
VINE WHIP	GRS
GROWTH	NRM
CUT	NRM
ACID	PSN
BERRY	

#163 HOOTIUM — NORMAL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 147
CONFUSION	PSY
FORESIGHT	NRM
GROWL	NRM
PECK	FLY
PSNCUREBERRY	

#166 LEDIUM — BUG / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 142
COMET PUNCH	NRM
SAFEGUARD	NRM
REFLECT	PSY
LIGHT SCREEN	PSY
BURNT BERRY	

#132 DITTIUM — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 145
TRANSFORM	NRM
METAL POWDER	

#30 RINAIUM — POISON

LEV. 50	HP 157
TACKLE	NRM
DOUBLE KICK	FTG
FURY SWIPES	NRM
POISON STING	PSN
POISON BARB	

#201 OWNIUM — PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 143
HIDDEN POWER	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#64 KADABRA	
PSYCHIC	PSY

#125 ELECTABUZZ	
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC

#227 SKARMORY	
FLY	FLY

#227 SKARMORY-#125 ELECTABUZZ	
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC

#64 KADABRA	
PSYCHIC	PSY

#125 ELECTABUZZ	
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC

BATTLE 2- SAGE TY

#41 ZUBAGE — POISON / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 127
TOXIC	PSN
MEAN LOOK	NRM
WING ATTACK	FLY
LEECH LIFE	BUG
BURNT BERRY	

#238 SMOOCHAGE — ICE / PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 132
PERISH SONG	NRM
MEAN LOOK	NRM
LICK	GHO
BLIZZARD	ICE
PRZCUREBERRY	

#92 GASTAGE — GHOST / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 117
CURSE	???
MEAN LOOK	NRM
SPITE	GHO
LICK	GHO
BERRY	

#42 GOLAGE — POISON / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 162
TOXIC	PSN
MEAN LOOK	NRM
WING ATTACK	FLY
SWIFT	NRM
MINT BERRY	

#200 MISDREAGE — GHOST

LEV. 50	HP 147
PERISH SONG	NRM
MEAN LOOK	NRM
SPITE	GHO
PSYBEAM	PSY
PSNCUREBERRY	

#93 HAUNTAGE — GHOST / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 132
CURSE	???
MEAN LOOK	NRM
SPITE	GHO
NIGHT SHADE	GHO
BITTER BERRY	

#64 KADABRA	
PSYCHIC	PSY

#6 CHARIZARD	
FIRE PUNCH	FIR

#64 KADABRA	
PSYCHIC	PSY

#64 KADABRA	
PSYCHIC	PSY

#197 UMBREON	
FAINT ATTACK	DRK

#64 KADABRA	
PSYCHIC	PSY

BATTLE 3- GYM LEADER MORTY

#94 GENGAR — GHOST / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 155
SHADOW BALL	GHO
PSYCHIC	PSY
NIGHT SHADE	GHO
FIRE PUNCH	FIR
BITTER BERRY	

#168 ARIADOS — BUG / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 157
SLUDGE BOMB	PSN
PSYCHIC	PSY
DIG	GRD
NIGHT SHADE	GHO
BURNT BERRY	

#185 SUDOWOODO — ROCK

LEV. 50	HP 157
ROCK SLIDE	RCK
LOW KICK	FTG
STRENGTH	NRM
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
BERRY	

#105 MAROWAK — GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 147
BONEMERANG	GRD
BONE CLUB	GRD
HEADBUTT	NRM
IRON TAIL	STL
MINT BERRY	

#203 GIRAFARIG — NORMAL / PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 157
PSYBEAM	PSY
SWIFT	NRM
THUNDER	ELC
NIGHTMARE	GHO
PRZCUREBERRY	

#164 NOCTOWL — NORMAL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 187
FLY	FLY
CONFUSION	PSY
TAKE DOWN	NRM
FORESIGHT	NRM
PSNCUREBERRY	

#197 UMBREON	
FAINT ATTACK	DRK

#64 KADABRA	
PSYCHIC	PSY

#117 SEADRA	
SURF	WTR

#117 SEADRA	
SURF	WTR

#197 UMBREON	
FAINT ATTACK	DRK

#64 KADABRA	
PSYCHIC	PSY

CIANWOOD GYM

Cianwood Gym is home to some real brawlers, but the true danger comes from their attacks, including the one-hit KO moves Horn Drill and Fissure and the confusion-inducing Dynamicpunch.

RECOMMENDED RENTAL TEAM FOR CIANWOOD GYM

#3 VENUSAUR — GRASS / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 158
GIGA DRAIN	GRS
TACKLE	NRM
POISONPOWDER	PSN
GROWL	NRM

#42 GOLBAT — POISON / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 156
WING ATTACK	FLY
BITE	DRK
STEEL WING	STL
HAZE	ICE

#64 KADABRA — PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 125
PSYCHIC	PSY
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
REFLECT	PSY
KINESIS	PSY

#123 SCYTHER — BUG / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 149
WING ATTACK	FLY
PURSUIT	DRK
SWIFT	NRM
FOCUS ENERGY	NRM

#199 SLOWKING — WATER / PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 176
PSYCHIC	PSY
WATER GUN	WTR
DISABLE	NRM
GROWL	NRM

#227 SKARMORY — STEEL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 146
STEEL WING	STL
FLY	FLY
FURY ATTACK	NRM
AGILITY	PSY

One-Hit KO

Horn Drill doesn't always hit, but when it does, it's a one-hit knockout. It's unlikely that your entire team will fall to such a move, but it could happen. Just try again.

Confusion

Dynamicpunch has a nasty side effect—it confuses Pokémon. Give at least one of your battlers a Bitter Berry and wait out the other bouts of confusion.

BATTLE 1- BLACKBELT NICK

#237 MONTOP — FIGHTING

LEV. 50	HP 142
TRIPLE KICK	FTG
RAPID SPIN	NRM
DIG	GRD
COUNTER	FTG
BLACK BELT	

#33 RINO — POISON

LEV. 50	HP 153
HORN DRILL	NRM
POISON STING	PSN
FURY ATTACK	NRM
HORN ATTACK	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#51 TRIO — GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 127
FISSURE	GRD
SCRATCH	NRM
ROCK SMASH	RCK
MAGNITUDE	GRD
ICE BERRY	

#106 MONLEE — FIGHTING

LEV. 50	HP 142
JUMP KICK	FTG
MEGA KICK	FTG
ROLLING KICK	FTG
FORESIGHT	NRM
MINT BERRY	

#119 SEAK — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 172
HORN DRILL	NRM
WATERFALL	WTR
ENDURE	NRM
FLAIL	NRM
BITTER BERRY	

#111 HORN — GROUND / ROCK

LEV. 50	HP 172
HORN DRILL	NRM
FURY ATTACK	NRM
DIG	GRD
HEADBUTT	NRM
BURNT BERRY	

#199 SLOWKING	
PSYCHIC	PSY

#64 KADABRA	
PSYCHIC	PSY

#3 VENUSAUR	
GIGA DRAIN	GRS

#199 SLOWKING	
PSYCHIC	PSY

#3 VENUSAUR	
GIGA DRAIN	GRS

#3 VENUSAUR	
GIGA DRAIN	GRS

BATTLE 2- GYM LEADER CHUCK

#62 POLIWRATH — WATER / FIGHTING

LEV. 50	HP 187
DYNAMICPUNCH	FTG
HYDRO PUMP	WTR
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
PSYCHIC	PSY
FOCUS BAND	

#123 SCYTHER — WING ATTACK FLY

#210 GRANBULL — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 179
DYNAMICPUNCH	FTG
STRENGTH	NRM
SHADOW BALL	GHO
ROAR	NRM
PRZCURE BERRY	

#227 SKARMORY — FLY FLY

#67 MACHOKE — FIGHTING

LEV. 50	HP 169
DYNAMICPUNCH	FTG
VITAL THROW	FTG
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
SEISMIC TOSS	FTG
ICE BERRY	

#42 GOLBAT — WING ATTACK FLY

#107 HITMONCHAN — FIGHTING

LEV. 50	HP 139
DYNAMICPUNCH	FTG
MACH PUNCH	FTG
MEGA PUNCH	FTG
COMET PUNCH	FTG
PSNCUREBERRY	

#123 SCYTHER — WING ATTACK FLY

#28 SANDSLASH — GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 164
DYNAMICPUNCH	FTG
DIG	GRD
SLASH	NRM
ROLLOUT	RCK
MINT BERRY	

#227 SKARMORY — FLY FLY

#57 PRIMEAPE — FIGHTING

LEV. 50	HP 154
DYNAMICPUNCH	FTG
DIG	GRD
HEADBUTT	NRM
SEISMIC TOSS	FTG
BITTER BERRY	

#42 GOLBAT — WING ATTACK FLY

OLIVINE GYM

Olivine has a single Trainer—Gym Leader Jasmine. She'll test your patience with her tendency to switch out Pokémon. Watch her switching and switch your own Pokémon. Most of her team is as strong as steel.

RECOMMENDED RENTAL TEAM FOR OLIVINE GYM

#6 CHARIZARD — FIRE / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 156
FIRE PUNCH	FIR
WING ATTACK	FLY
GROWL	NRM
SCARY FACE	NRM

#80 SLOWBRO — WATER / PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 157
SURF	WTR
CONFUSION	PSY
DISABLE	NRM
GROWL	NRM

#125 ELECTABUZZ — ELECTRIC

LEV. 50	HP 146
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
SWIFT	NRM
LIGHT SCREEN	PSY
LEER	NRM

#MAGMAR — FIRE

LEV. 50	HP 146
FIRE PUNCH	FIR
SMOG	PSN
SMOKESCREEN	NRM
CONFUSE RAY	GHO

#180 FLAAFFY — ELECTRIC

LEV. 50	HP 157
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
FIRE PUNCH	FIR
COTTON SPORE	GRS
LIGHT SCREEN	PSY

#195 QUAGSIRE — WATER / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 180
SURF	WTR
DIG	GRD
SLAM	NRM
AMNESIA	PSY

Bait and Switch

Gym Leader Jasmine won't keep a poorly matched Pokémon in a fight, and neither should you. Take a lesson from her book—sometimes it's better to switch out.

Fire Fight

All Steel-types are vulnerable to Fire-type attacks, but Forretress, with its dual Bug-and-Steel-type, is twice as vulnerable to Fire-type attacks like Fire Punch.

BATTLE 1 - GYM LEADER JASMINE

#208 STEELIX — STEEL / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 171
IRON TAIL	STL
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
ROCK THROW	RCK
STRENGTH	NRM
SCOPE LENS	

#195 QUAGSIRE — SURF WTR

#222 CORSOLA — WATER / ROCK

LEV. 50	HP 143
BUBBLEBEAM	WTR
ANCIENT POWER	RCK
SPIKE CANNON	NRM
PSYCHIC	PSY
BITTER BERRY	

#125 ELECTABUZZ — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#82 MAGNETON — ELECTRIC / STEEL

LEV. 50	HP 138
THUNDERSHOCK	ELC
SWIFT	NRM
THUNDER	ELC
SONICBOOM	NRM
MINT BERRY	

#126 MAGMAR — FIRE PUNCH FIR

#226 MANTINE — WATER / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 153
SURF	WTR
WING ATTACK	FLY
TAKE DOWN	NRM
SLEEP TALK	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#125 ELECTABUZZ — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#227 SKARMORY — STEEL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 153
STEEL WING	STL
FLY	FLY
SWIFT	NRM
FURY ATTACK	NRM
METAL COAT	

#125 ELECTABUZZ — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#205 FORRETRESS — BUG / STEEL

LEV. 50	HP 163
DOUBLE-EDGE	NRM
ROLLOUT	RCK
GIGA DRAIN	GRS
RAPID SPIN	NRM
PSNCUREBERRY	

#126 MAGMAR — FIRE PUNCH FIR

TEAM ROCKET

Team Rocket's blasting off at the speed of light—right into your way. Battle the pesky nogoodniks with hard-hitting moves like Earthquake and Vital Throw.

RECOMMENDED RENTAL TEAM FOR TEAM ROCKET

#64 KADABRA — PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 125
PSYCHIC	PSY
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
REFLECT	PSY
KINESIS	PSY

#67 MACHOKE — FIGHTING

LEV. 50	HP 165
VITAL THROW	FTG
STRENGTH	NRM
DIG	GRD
FORESIGHT	NRM

#75 GRAVELER — ROCK / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 142
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
ROLLOUT	RCK
SELFDESTRUCT	NRM
SANDSTORM	RCK

#94 GENGAR — GHOST / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 139
NIGHT SHADE	GHO
THIEF	DRK
NIGHTMARE	GHO
HYPNOSIS	PSY

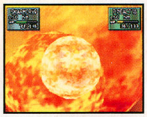
#142 AERODACTYL — ROCK / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 142
ANCIENT POWER	RCK
BITE	DRK
CURSE	???
SUPERSONIC	NRM

#227 SKARMORY — STEEL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 146
STEEL WING	STL
FLY	FLY
FURY ATTACK	NRM
AGILITY	PSY

Explosive Info



The first Rocket Grunt is fond of Explosion. Remember that Ghost-types like Gengar are immune to Explosion. Grunt can't use Explosion three times in a row.

Steel Yourself

Skarmory's Steel Wing attack isn't incredibly powerful, but it is super-effective against Rock-type opponents, and it will do well against other types, too.

Earthquakin'

Team Rocket has many Poison-type Pokémon, which are are very weak against Ground-type attacks like Earthquake. Psychic-type attacks also work well.

Ancient and Powerful

Aerodactyl's Ancient Power works wonders on Flying-types like Golbat. Try using Curse to raise Aerodactyl's attack and defense before attacking your opponent.

BATTLE 1 - ROCKET GRUNT

#74 GEOACTI — ROCK / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 127
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
ROCK THROW	RCK
STRENGTH	NRM
EXPLOSION	NRM
PSNCUREBERRY	

#227 SKARMORY — STEEL WING STL

#109 KOFFACTI — POISON

LEV. 50	HP 135
SLUDGE	PSN
ZAP CANNON	ELC
SMOG	PSN
EXPLOSION	NRM
BURNT BERRY	

#75 GRAVELER — EARTHQUAKE GRD

#204 PINEACTI — BUG

LEV. 50	HP 137
DOUBLE-EDGE	NRM
GIGA DRAIN	GRS
RAPID SPIN	NRM
EXPLOSION	NRM
ICE BERRY	

#227 SKARMORY — FLY FLY

#75 GRAVELACTI — ROCK / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 142
MAGNITUDE	GRD
ROCK THROW	RCK
STRENGTH	NRM
EXPLOSION	NRM
MINT BERRY	

#227 SKARMORY — STEEL WING STL

#8110 WEEZACTI — POISON

LEV. 50	HP 160
SLUDGE	PSN
ZAP CANNON	ELC
POISON GAS	PSN
EXPLOSION	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#75 GRAVELER — EARTHQUAKE GRD

#101 ELECTRACTI — ELECTRIC

LEV. 50	HP 147
THUNDER	ELC
SWIFT	NRM
SONICBOOM	NRM
EXPLOSION	NRM
BITTER BERRY	

#75 GRAVELER — EARTHQUAKE GRD

BATTLE 2 - ROCKET GRUNT

#198 MURKNOI — DARK / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 147
TOXIC	PSN
DETECT	FTG
PURSUIT	DRK
FLY	FLY
BLACK GLASSES	

#96 DROWZNOI — PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 147
TOXIC	PSN
PROTECT	NRM
CONFUSION	PSY
POUND	NRM
ICE BERRY	

#167 SPINARNOI — BUG / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 127
TOXIC	PSN
PROTECT	NRM
LEECH LIFE	BUG
CONSTRICT	NRM
PSNCUREBERRY	

#206 DUNSPARNOI — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 187
TOXIC	PSN
PROTECT	NRM
PURSUIT	DRK
DIG	GRD
BITTER BERRY	

#41 ZUBANOI — POISON / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 127
TOXIC	PSN
DETECT	FTG
LEECH LIFE	BUG
WING ATTACK	FLY
MINT BERRY	

#228 DOURNOI — DARK / FIRE

LEV. 50	HP 132
TOXIC	PSN
DETECT	FTG
BITE	DRK
EMBER	FIR
PRZCUREBERRY	

#227 SKARMORY — STEEL WING STL

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#67 MACHOKE — VITAL THROW FTG

BATTLE 3 - ROCKET EXECUTIVE

#215 SNEASEP — DARK / ICE

LEV. 50	HP 140
THIEF	DRK
SLASH	NRM
NIGHTMARE	GHO
FRUSTRATION	NRM

#89 MUKEP — POISON

LEV. 50	HP 190
THIEF	DRK
SLUDGE BOMB	PSN
FIRE BLAST	FIR
FRUSTRATION	NRM

#108 LICKEP — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 175
THIEF	DRK
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
BLIZZARD	ICE
FRUSTRATION	NRM

#45 VILEPEP — GRASS / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 160
GIGA DRAIN	GRS
ACID	PSN
CUT	NRM
FRUSTRATION	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#20 RATICEP — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 140
THIEF	DRK
DIG	GRD
SUPER FANG	NRM
FRUSTRATION	NRM

#24 ARBEP — POISON

LEV. 50	HP 145
THIEF	DRK
SLUDGE BOMB	PSN
SLEEP TALK	NRM
FRUSTRATION	NRM

#227 SKARMORY — STEEL WING STL

#75 GRAVELER — EARTHQUAKE GRD

#67 MACHOKE — VITAL THROW FTG

#227 SKARMORY — STEEL WING STL

#67 MACHOKE — VITAL THROW FTG

#75 GRAVELER — EARTHQUAKE GRD

BATTLE 4 - ROCKET EXECUTIVE

#229 DOOMAP — DARK / FIRE

LEV. 50	HP 162
CRUNCH	DRK
SUNNY DAY	FIR
FLAMETHROWER	FIR
SOLARBEAM	GRS
SCOPE LENS	

#42 GOLBAP — POISON / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 162
BITE	DRK
WING ATTACK	FLY
GIGA DRAIN	GRS
CONFUSE RAY	GHO
BURNT BERRY	

#53 PERISAP — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 152
SLASH	NRM
FAINT ATTACK	DRK
IRON TAIL	STL
THUNDER	ELC
PSNCUREBERRY	

#200 MISDREAVAP — GHOST

LEV. 50	HP 147
SHADOW BALL	GHO
PSYCHIC	PSY
CURSE	???
PAIN SPLIT	NRM
MINT BERRY	

#71 VICTREAP — GRASS / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 167
RAZOR LEAF	GRS
SLUDGE BOMB	PSN
SUNNY DAY	FIR
SOLARBEAM	GRS
PRZCUREBERRY	

#202 WOBBUFFAP — PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 287
SAFEGUARD	NRM
COUNTER	FTG
MIRROR COAT	PSY
DESTINY BOND	GHO
BITTER BERRY	

#75 GRAVELER — EARTHQUAKE GRD

#142 AERODACTYL — ANCIENT POWER RCK

#75 GRAVELER — EARTHQUAKE GRD

#227 SKARMORY — STEEL WING STL

#227 SKARMORY — STEEL WING STL

#75 GRAVELER — SANDSTORM RCK

MAHOGANY GYM

Within the chilly interior of Mahogany Gym lurk many Ice-type creatures. But don't load your team up with Fire-, Fighting- and Steel-types. You'll need a few others on your side, too.

RECOMMENDED RENTAL TEAM FOR MAHOGANY GYM

#28 SANDSLASH — GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 156
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
FURY-SWIPES	NRM
SAND-ATTACK	GRD
SANDSTORM	RCK

#106 HITMONLEE — FIGHTING

LEV. 50	HP 133
HI JUMP KICK	FTG
MEGA KICK	NRM
MUD-SLAP	GRD
MEDITATE	PSY

#125 ELECTABUZZ — ELECTRIC

LEV. 50	HP 146
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
SWIFT	NRM
LIGHT SCREEN	PSY
LEER	NRM

#126 MAGMAR — FIRE

LEV. 50	HP 158
FIRE PUNCH	FIR
SMOG	PSN
SMOKESCREEN	NRM
CONFUSE RAY	GHO

#130 GYARADOS — WATER / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 173
WATERFALL	WTR
DRAGON RAGE	DRG
TWISTER	DRG
LEER	NRM

#212 SCIZOR — BUG / STEEL

LEV. 50	HP 149
METAL CLAW	STL
CUT	NRM
AGILITY	PSY
LEER	NRM

Grounded

Normally, you wouldn't want your Ground-types anywhere near a Gym that specializes in Ice-types—but it's the best way to handle Flaaffy.

Revolving Door

Like Jasmine, Skier Carol has no problem switching her Pokémon if the matchup isn't perfect. Try to anticipate her switching, if possible.

Meditate

You won't have much time or power to waste when battling Hitmonlee against Ursaring, so Meditate to make your Hi Jump Kick more powerful.

BATTLE 1 - BOARDER ALVIN

#86 AIRSEEL — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 152
AURORA BEAM	ICE
ENDURE	NRM
SAFEGUARD	NRM
SLEEP TALK	NRM
BERRY	

#220 AIRSWIN — ICE / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 137
POWDER SNOW	ICE
ENDURE	NRM
ROAR	NRM
MIST	ICE
PSNCUREBERRY	

#90 AIRSHELL — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 117
WHIRLPOOL	WTR
AURORA BEAM	ICE
ENDURE	NRM
WITHDRAW	WTR
BITTER BERRY	

#238 AIRSMOOCH — ICE / PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 132
CONFUSION	PSY
POWDER SNOW	ICE
LICK	GHO
POUND	NRM
NEVERMELT ICE	

#99 AIRKING — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 142
CRABHAMMER	WTR
BLIZZARD	ICE
STOMP	NRM
PSNCUREBERRY	
KING'S ROCK	

#180 AIRFLAAF — ELECTRIC

LEV. 50	HP 157
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
TACKLE	NRM
IRON TAIL	STL
GROWL	NRM
MINT BERRY	

#125 ELECTABUZZ — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#126 MAGMAR — FIRE PUNCH FIR

#125 ELECTABUZZ — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#126 MAGMAR — FIRE PUNCH FIR

#125 ELECTABUZZ — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#28 SANDSLASH — EARTHQUAKE GRD

BATTLE 2 - SKIER CAROL

#225 DELIOW — ICE / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 132
ICY WIND	ICE
HEADBUTT	NRM
PRESENT	NRM
FLY	FLY
PRZCUREBERRY	

#184 AZUMAROW — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 187
ICY WIND	ICE
HEADBUTT	NRM
SURF	WTR
DOUBLE-EDGE	NRM
MINT BERRY	

#104 CUBONOW — GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 137
ICY WIND	ICE
HEADBUTT	NRM
BONE RUSH	GRD
GROWL	NRM
BITTER BERRY	

#211 QWILOW — WATER / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 152
ICY WIND	ICE
HEADBUTT	NRM
TAKE DOWN	NRM
PIN MISSILE	BUG
BERRY	

#147 DRATINOW — DRAGON

LEV. 50	HP 128
ICY WIND	ICE
HEADBUTT	NRM
DRAGON RAGE	DRG
SLAM	NRM
PSNCUREBERRY	

#117 SEADROW — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 142
ICY WIND	ICE
HEADBUTT	NRM
SMOKESCREEN	NRM
SURF	WTR
BITTER BERRY	

#212 SCIZOR — METAL CLAW STL

#125 ELECTABUZZ — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#130 GYARADOS — WATERFALL WTR

#125 ELECTABUZZ — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#212 SCIZOR — METAL CLAW STL

#125 ELECTABUZZ — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

BATTLE 3 - GYM LEADER PRYCE

#221 PILOSWINE — ICE / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 187
BLIZZARD	ICE
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
TAKE DOWN	NRM
SLEEP TALK	NRM
QUICK CLAW	

#87 DEWGONG — WATER / ICE

LEV. 50	HP 177
SURF	WTR
ICE BEAM	ICE
TAKE DOWN	NRM
SAFEGUARD	NRM
MINT BERRY	

#91 CLOYSTER — WATER / ICE

LEV. 50	HP 137
ICE BEAM	ICE
SURF	WTR
SPIKE CANNON	NRM
SWIFT	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#217 URSARING — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 177
THRASH	NRM
DIG	GRD
FAINT ATTACK	DRK
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
BITTER BERRY	

#232 DONPHAN — GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 177
DOUBLE-EDGE	NRM
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
ROLLOUT	RCK
SNORE	NRM
ICE BERRY	

#124 JYNX — ICE / PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 152
ICE PUNCH	ICE
PSYCHIC	PSY
SHADOW BALL	GHO
THRASH	NRM
MIRACLE BERRY	

#130 GYARADOS — WATERFALL WTR

#125 ELECTABUZZ — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#125 ELECTABUZZ — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#106 HITMONLEE — MEDITATE PSY; HI JUMP KICK FTG

#130 GYARADOS — WATERFALL WTR

#106 HITMONLEE — HI JUMP KICK FTG

BLACKTHORN GYM

Blackthorn Gym is the place where serious Dragon Trainers study—but the Trainers you'll face don't seem to realize that. Only Clair, the Gym Leader, has Dragon-types on her side.

RECOMMENDED RENTAL TEAM FOR BLACKTHORN GYM

#22 FEAROW — NORMAL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 150
DRILL PECK	FLY
HYPER BEAM	NRM
PURSUIT	DRK
TOXIC	PSN

#28 SANDSLASH — GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 156
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
FURY SWIPES	NRM
SAND-ATTACK	GRD
SANDSTORM	RCK

#106 HITMONLEE — FIGHTING

LEV. 50	HP 133
HI JUMP KICK	FTG
MEGA KICK	NRM
MUD-SLAP	GRD
MEDITATE	PSY

#125 ELECTABUZZ — ELECTRIC

LEV. 50	HP 146
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
SWIFT	NRM
LIGHT SCREEN	PSY
LEER	NRM

#222 CORSOLA — WATER / ROCK

LEV. 50	HP 142
SURF	WTR
ANCIENT POWER	RCK
MIRROR COAT	PSY
ATTRACT	NRM

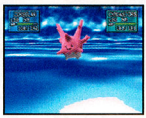
#223 REMORAID — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 127
SURF	WTR
ICE BEAM	ICE
LOCK-ON	NRM
HYPER BEAM	NRM

Leader of the Peck

Fearow's Drill Peck will take care of may of Cooltrainer Gloria and Vince's Pokémon. It's a powerful, reliable Flying-type attack.

Water Logged



Corsola's Surf attack will help put out the twin Fire-types Charmander and Cyndaquil. Corsola's Mirror Coat is useful against Clair.

Icy Hot

Remoraid's Ice Beam is absolutely perfect for dealing with those tough Dragon-types like Dragonair. It's not the best choice for Kingdra, however.

BATTLE 1 - COOLTRAINER GLORIA

#39 JIGGLANCE — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 199
SING	NRM
DEFENSE CURL	NRM
ROLLOUT	RCK
DOUBLE-EDGE	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#106 HITMONLEE — HI JUMP KICK FTG

#48 VENONANCE — BUG / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 144
SLEEP POWDER	GRS
PSYCHIC	PSY
GIGA DRAIN	GRS
FORESIGHT	NRM
BURNT BERRY	

#22 FEAROW — DRILL PECK FLY

#188 SKIPLANCE — GRASS / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 147
SLEEP POWDER	GRS
MEGA DRAIN	GRS
COTTON SPORE	GRS
HEADBUTT	NRM
BITTER BERRY	

#22 FEAROW — DRILL PECK FLY

#35 CLEFANCE — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 154
SING	NRM
POUND	NRM
FIRE BLAST	FIR
THUNDER	ELC
ICE BERRY	

#106 HITMONLEE — HI JUMP KICK FTG

#EXEGANCE — GRASS / PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 144
SLEEP POWDER	GRS
MEGA DRAIN	GRS
SLUDGE BOMB	PSN
BARRAGE	NRM
MINT BERRY	

#22 FEAROW — DRILL PECK FLY

#43 ODDANCE — GRASS / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 129
SLEEP POWDER	GRS
ABSORB	GRS
ACID	PSN
CUT	NRM
BERRY JUICE	

#22 FEAROW — DRILL PECK FLY

BATTLE 2 - COOLTRAINER VINCE

#1 BULBASTOR — GRASS / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 137
RAZOR LEAF	GRS
HEADBUTT	NRM
GIGA DRAIN	GRS
LEECH SEED	GRS
ICE BERRY	

#22 FEAROW — DRILL PECK FLY

#7 SQUIRTSTOR — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 136
SURF	WTR
BITE	DRK
BLIZZARD	ICE
IRON TAIL	STL
BITTER BERRY	

#125 ELECTABUZZ — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#4 CHARMASTOR — FIRE

LEV. 50	HP 131
FLAMETHROWER	FIR
SLASH	NRM
DRAGON RAGE	DRG
DIG	GRD
PSNCUREBERRY	

#222 CORSOLA — SURF WTR

#152 CHIKOSTOR — GRASS

LEV. 50	HP 137
RAZOR LEAF	GRS
BODY SLAM	NRM
ATTRACT	NRM
MUD-SLAP	GRD
MINT BERRY	

#22 FEAROW — DRILL PECK FLY

#158 TOTOSTOR — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 142
SURF	WTR
BITE	DRK
SLASH	NRM
SCARY FACE	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#125 ELECTABUZZ — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#155 CYNDASTOR — FIRE

LEV. 50	HP 131
FLAME WHEEL	FIR
SMOKESCREEN	NRM
SWIFT	NRM
IRON TAIL	STL
BERRY JUICE	

#222 CORSOLA — SURF WTR

BATTLE 3 - GYM LEADER CLAIR

#230 KINGDRA — WATER / DRAGON

LEV. 50	HP 162
DRAGONBREATH	DRG
HYDRO PUMP	WTR
HEADBUTT	NRM
BLIZZARD	ICE
SCOPE LENS	

#222 CORSOLA — MIRROR COAT PSY

#181 AMPHAROS — ELECTRIC

LEV. 50	HP 177
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
HEADBUTT	NRM
IRON TAIL	STL
SWIFT	NRM
MINT BERRY	

#28 SANDSLASH — EARTHQUAKE GRD

#148 DRAGONAIR — DRAGON

LEV. 50	HP 148
OUTRAGE	DRG
SURF	WTR
BLIZZARD	ICE
THUNDER	ELC
DRAGON FANG	

#223 REMORAID — ICE BEAM ICE

#112 RHYDON — GROUND / ROCK

LEV. 50	HP 192
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
ROLLOUT	RCK
IRON TAIL	STL
DYNAMICPUNCH	NRM
PSNCUREBERRY	

#223 REMORAID — SURF WTR

#59 ARCANINE — FIRE

LEV. 50	HP 177
FLAMETHROWER	FIR
DRAGON RAGE	DRG
DIG	GRD
EXTREME SPEED	NRM
BITTER BERRY	

#28 SANDSLASH — EARTHQUAKE GRD

#131 LAPRAS — WATER / ICE

LEV. 50	HP 217
DRAGONBREATH	DRG
SURF	WTR
ICE BEAM	ICE
PSYCHIC	PSY
PRZCUREBERRY	

#222 CORSOLA — MIRROR COAT PSY

ELITE FOUR

There's no getting around it—The Elite Four are supertough, and you have to battle 'em all with the same team. It might take you a few rounds before you can beat the five (!) Trainers in the Elite Four Tower.

RECOMMENDED RENTAL TEAM FOR THE ELITE FOUR

#22 FEAROW — NORMAL / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 150
DRILL PECK	FLY
HYPER BEAM	NRM
PURSUIT	DRK
TOXIC	PSN

#64 KADABRA — PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 125
PSYCHIC	PSY
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
REFLECT	PSY
KINESIS	PSY

#125 ELECTABUZZ — ELECTRIC

LEV. 50	HP 146
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
SWIFT	NRM
LIGHT SCREEN	PSY
LEER	NRM

#195 QUAGSIRE — WATER / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 180
SURF	WTR
DIG	GRD
SLAM	NRM
AMNESIA	PSY

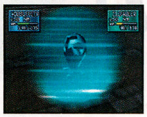
#197 UMBREON — DARK

LEV. 50	HP 173
FAINT ATTACK	DRK
QUICK ATTACK	NRM
SAND-ATTACK	GRD
MEAN LOOK	NRM

#202 WOBBUFFET — PSYCHIC

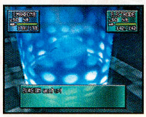
LEV. 50	HP 275
COUNTER	FTG
MIRROR COAT	PSY
SAFE GUARD	NRM
DESTINY BOND	GHO

Reflections of Power



Wobbuffet doesn't really attack outright—it uses moves like Mirror Coat and Counter to send the opponent's power back to it, doubled.

Double-Teamed!



Electrode makes it much more evasive, making it hard to hit. Use Paint Attack, which never misses.

Fighting Flaw

Fighting-type Pokémon are very weak to Flying-type attacks. Use Fearow's Drill Peck against Bruno's Machamp.

Dazed and Confused

Karen will try to use Confuse Ray to make your Pokémon attack themselves in confusion. One Bitter Berry won't go far, but it will help you out.

Dangerous Foes

Lance's Dragonite and Tyranitar are incredibly powerful Pokémon. If you have your own Pokémon trained to level 50, use them.

BATTLE 1 - ELITE FOUR WILL

#178 XATU — PSYCHIC / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 148
PSYCHIC	PSY
FLY	FLY
GIGA DRAIN	GRS
NIGHT SHADE	GHO
KING'S ROCK	

#197 UMBREON — FAINT ATTACK DRK

#64 KADABRA — PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 131
PSYCHIC	PSY
FIRE PUNCH	FIR
THUNDERPUNCH	ELC
SHADOW BALL	GHO
MINT BERRY	

#197 UMBREON — FAINT ATTACK DRK

#203 GIRAFARIG — NORMAL / PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 161
PSYBEAM	PSY
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
SHADOW BALL	GHO
STOMP	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#202 WOBBUFFET — COUNTER FTG

#36 CLEFABLE — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 178
PSYCHIC	PSY
BLIZZARD	ICE
THUNDER	ELC
FIRE BLAST	FIR
BITTER BERRY	

#202 WOBBUFFET — MIRROR COAT PSY

#103 EXEGGUTOR — GRASS / PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 178
PSYCHIC	PSY
GIGA DRAIN	GRS
STRENGTH	NRM
SLUDGE BOMB	PSN
BURNT BERRY	

#22 FEAROW — DRILL PECK FLY

#124 JYNX — ICE / PSYCHIC

LEV. 50	HP 156
ICE PUNCH	ICE
PSYCHIC	PSY
BODY SLAM	NRM
DOUBLE SLAP	NRM
ICE BERRY	

#22 FEAROW — DRILL PECK FLY

BATTLE 2 - ELITE FOUR KOGA

#241 MILTANK — BUG / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 157
DOUBLE TEAM	NRM
TOXIC	PSN
GIGA DRAIN	GRS
PSYBEAM	PSY
FOCUS BAND	

#64 KADABRA — PSYCHIC PSY

#168 ARIADOS — BUG / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 152
DOUBLE TEAM	NRM
SPIDER WEB	BUG
TOXIC	PSN
DIG	GRD
ICE BERRY	

#64 KADABRA — PSYCHIC PSY

#42 GOLBAT — POISON / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 157
DOUBLE TEAM	NRM
TOXIC	PSN
WING ATTACK	FLY
DETECT	FTG
PRZCUREBERRY	

#64 KADABRA — PSYCHIC PSY

#207 GLIGAR — GROUND / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 147
DOUBLE TEAM	NRM
TOXIC	PSN
SAND STORM	RCK
IRON TAIL	STL
MINT BERRY	

#195 QUAGSIRE — SURF WTR

#101 ELECTRODE — ELECTRIC

LEV. 50	HP 142
DOUBLE TEAM	NRM
TOXIC	PSN
THUNDER	ELC
MIRROR COAT	PSY
BITTER BERRY	

#195 QUAGSIRE - #197 UMBREON — SURF WTR / FAINT ATTACK DRK

#89 MUK — POISON

LEV. 50	HP 187
DOUBLE TEAM	NRM
TOXIC	PSN
SLUDGE BOMB	PSN
FIRE BLAST	FIR
BURNT BERRY	

#64 KADABRA - #197 UMBREON — PSYCHIC PSY / FAINT ATTACK DRK

BATTLE 3 - ELITE FOUR BRUNO

#68 MACHAMP — FIGHTING

LEV. 50	HP 174
CROSS CHOP	FTG
STRENGTH	NRM
SEISMIC TOSS	FTG
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
SCOPE LENS	

#22 FEAROW — DRILL PECK FLY

#76 GOLEM — ROCK / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 172
ROCK THROW	RCK
MAGNITUDE	GRD
HEADBUTT	NRM
ROCK SMASH	FTG
BITTER BERRY	

#195 QUAGSIRE — SURF WTR

#115 KANGASKHAN — NORMAL

LEV. 50	HP 197
DIZZY PUNCH	NRM
BITE	DRK
REVERSAL	FTG
ROCK SMASH	FTG
PSNCUREBERRY	

#64 KADABRA — PSYCHIC PSY

#9 BLASTOISE — WATER

LEV. 50	HP 171
SURF	WTR
HEADBUTT	NRM
ICE PUNCH	ICE
DYNAMICPUNCH	FTG
PRZCUREBERRY	

#64 KADABRA — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#214 HERACROSS — BUG / FIGHTING

LEV. 50	HP 172
REVERSAL	FTG
COUNTER	FTG
HORN ATTACK	NRM
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
MINT BERRY	

#22 FEAROW — DRILL PECK FLY

#95 ONIX — ROCK / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 119
ROCK THROW	RCK
DIG	GRD
SLAM	NRM
RAGE	NRM
BURNT BERRY	

#195 QUAGSIRE — SURF WTR

BATTLE 4 - ELITE FOUR KAREN

#197 UMBREON — DARK

LEV. 50	HP 189
CONFUSE RAY	GHO
ATTRACT	NRM
PURSUIT	DRK
PSYCHIC	PSY
QUICK CLAW	

#22 FEAROW - #64 KADABRA — TOXIC PSN / THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#71 VICTREEBEL — GRASS / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 166
STUN SPORE	GRS
ATTRACT	NRM
ACID	PSN
RAZOR LEAF	GRS
MINT BERRY	

#22 FEAROW — DRILL PECK FLY

#198 MURKROW — DARK / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 166
ATTRACT	NRM
MUD-SLAP	GRD
FLY	FLY
FAINT ATTACK	DRK
BITTER BERRY	

#22 FEAROW — DRILL PECK FLY

#126 MAGMAR — FIRE

LEV. 50	HP 151
CONFUSE RAY	GHO
ATTRACT	NRM
FIRE PUNCH	FIR
THIEF	DRK

#22 FEAROW — DRILL PECK FLY

#94 GENGAR — GHOST / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 146
CONFUSE RAY	GHO
ATTRACT	NRM
PSYCHIC	PSY
LICK	GHO
PRZCUREBERRY	

#197 UMBREON — FAINT ATTACK DRK

#45 VILEPLUME — GRASS / POISON

LEV. 50	HP 161
ATTRACT	NRM
STUN SPORE	GRS
GIGA DRAIN	GRS
SLUDGE BOMB	PSN
ICE BERRY	

#22 FEAROW — DRILL PECK FLY

BATTLE 5 - LANCE

#149 DRAGONITE — DRAGON / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 178
DRAGONBREATH	DRG
STEEL WING	STL
THUNDER	ELC
HYPER BEAM	NRM
FOCUS BAND	

#202 WOBBUFFET — COUNTER FTG

#248 TYRANITAR — ROCK / DARK

LEV. 50	HP 187
ROCK SLIDE	RCK
CRUNCH	DRK
DRAGONBREATH	DRG
HYPER BEAM	NRM
BITTER BERRY	

#195 QUAGSIRE - #64 KADABRA — SURF WTR / THUNDERPUNCH ELC

#6 CHARIZARD — FIRE / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 165
FLAMETHROWER	FIR
FLY	FLY
DIG	GRD
HYPER BEAM	NRM
MINT BERRY	

#195 QUAGSIRE — SURF WTR

#142 AERODACTYL — ROCK / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 167
ANCIENT POWER	RCK
WING ATTACK	FLY
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
HYPER BEAM	NRM
PSNCUREBERRY	

#202 WOBBUFFET — COUNTER FTG

#208 STEELIX — STEEL / GROUND

LEV. 50	HP 162
IRON TAIL	STL
EARTHQUAKE	GRD
DRAGONBREATH	DRG
HYPER BEAM	NRM
ICE BERRY	

#195 QUAGSIRE — SURF WTR

#130 GYARADOS — WATER / FLYING

LEV. 50	HP 182
SURF	WTR
DRAGONBREATH	DRG
SLEEP TALK	NRM
HYPER BEAM	NRM
PRZCUREBERRY	

#64 KADABRA — THUNDERPUNCH ELC

KANTO GYM LEADERS

Once you've taken down Lance, a new area of the Gym Leader Castle will appear—Kanto Gym Leader Castle. There are eight Gym battles plus one extra battle in Kanto's castle. Because each Gym has only one battle, it's not quite as stressful as Johto's castle.

Kanto, Here I Come!

After the Elite Four are history, you'll get a message saying you cleared the Johto Gym Leader Castle. But wait! More Gym Leaders appear to challenge you. Are you up for it?

FOLLOW THE LEADER

Pokémon Stadium 2 is full of challenges, from the Pokémon battles in Gym Leader Castle to the more intellectual pursuits in the Pokémon Academy. Even the most dedicated Pokémon Trainers will spend many long hours trying to get through all of the difficult battles—but Trainers who persevere will be rewarded with Pokémon Presents and a whole new round of Stadium battles to attempt.

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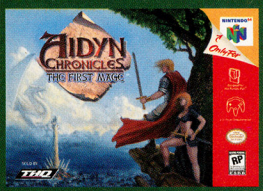
Drala, rehtoro...
If thoughts can
reach whatever
plane you walk,
then listen...
I have dreams to tell...
We will not meet before
our time...
Restej eht eraweb...
Find where the river
meets the stones...
I am what was not
there when these two met...
Dediced voy hcihw oga
gnol, elttab a saw ereht...
Here and not here as I dg
and tsvm ton og...
Stay who you are and
you will see this too...
Sloochs eht ssorca tilps
sdraziw eht sa syawedis
sklat echirp a seod won...
That is the shape
of what lies up ahead
for both of us...
Stay who you are...
Fight well...
I walk beside you...

In Between Is Chaos.

In this, the first traditional RPG for N64, a young man embarks on a seemingly impossible journey to discover his identity and fulfill his destiny. Can he stave off his enemies, overcome his obstacles and find that which he has dreamed about? Or will chaos keep Alaron from everything that may be rightfully his?

- Real-time 3D environments and beautifully-animated characters.
- Unique blend of party-based adventuring and turn-based combat.
- Storyline written by Chris Klug, creator of the pen-and-paper game DragonQuest.
- Up to 13 characters to add to Alaron's party.



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IT MAY NOT BE FROM OUTER SPACE, BUT GAME BOY ADVANCE IS OUT OF THIS WORLD AND ITS IMPACT WILL BE FELT AROUND THE GLOBE BEGINNING MARCH 21ST—THE DAY THAT GBA GOES ON SALE IN JAPAN. WITNESS THE DAWN OF THE AGE OF ADVANCED GAME PLAY.

GAME BOY ADVANCE ARRIVES IN JAPAN

This month, Nintendo Power introduces you to the amazing Game Boy Advance with an in-depth look at the system and games. You'll peek inside the powerful GBA hardware to see what it can do with graphics and game play. You'll explore many of the first Japanese titles from Nintendo and other publishers such as Konami, Capcom, Hudson Soft and Sega. You'll even get to check out some of the new games that are in development outside of Japan. Then, you'll focus on the next stop in the Game Boy Advance world tour—the system launch in North America. It's coming sooner than expected, on June 11th, just in time for a summer of advanced fun.

The Japanese advertising campaign for Game Boy Advance featured the print ad shown here.

Advance Madness

Before the retail stores opened on March 21st in Akihabara (the Japanese video game Mecca) and other locations around Japan, Game Boy Advance had rung up over three million retail orders. If that seems like a staggering number, consider that Nintendo Company Ltd. has predicted the sale of 24 million Game Boy Advance units worldwide in the first year. Japanese players lucky enough to snag one of the first few million units will have 22 games to choose from, including four from Nintendo. Another 25 titles have been announced officially for the Japanese market. Dozens of other titles have been, or will shortly be, announced for North America. In fact, some games will be announced for the first time later in this article. And dozens of other games are in development but haven't been announced at this time.

With first-generation titles like Pinobee, Castlevania and Lady Sia appearing on Game Boy Advance, the future looks very bright.

Mario Kart Advance was rumored to be a launch title, probably because it was shown at Spaceworld last August. Its actual release date will be later this year.

Golden Sun, a beautiful RPG from Nintendo, will follow the Japanese launch by a few months. It is scheduled to be released in May.

Advanced Extras

When the first gamers pick up their GBAs and Game Paks in Japan, they'll snatch up plenty of accessories, as well. The Game Boy Advance Game Link Cable will be one of the hottest sellers. Many of the first games support multiplayer gaming, including four-player modes. In fact, games like Mario Advance have two multiplayer gaming modes. In the Single-Pak Mode, four players link up, and they'll use just one Game Pak. In the Multi-Pak Mode, each of the four players will have to have a Game Pak. The AC Adapter is likely to be another huge seller. Nintendo engineers tell us that the GBA gets about 15 hours per set of AA batteries, so the AC Adapter will be a money-saving investment in the long term. A little farther down the road, GBA owners will be able to buy a new version of the Mobile System GB. (You can read more about the Mobile Adapter in this month's Game Watch.) Plenty of other licensed accessories should flood the market, as well.

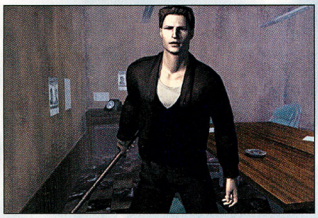
JAPANESE LAUNCH GAME LIST:

- ALL JAPAN GT CHAMPIONSHIP
- BOKU WA KOUKUU KANSEI-KAN (I AM AN AIR SYSTEM CONTROLLER)
- BOMBERMAN STORY
- CASTLEVANIA: CIRCLE OF THE MOON
- CHU CHU ROCKET
- F-ZERO ADVANCE
- FIRE PRO WRESTLING A
- KONAMI'S WAI WAI RACING ADVANCE
- KURU KURU KURU-RIN
- MAIL DE CUTE
- MARIO ADVANCE
- MOMOTARO FESTIVAL
- MONSTER GUARDIANS
- MR. DRILLER 2
- NAPOLEON
- PINOBEE'S GREAT ADVENTURE
- ROCKMAN EXE
- SILENT HILL
- STARCOMI (STAR COMMUNICATOR)
- TWEETIE'S HEARTY PARTY
- WINNING POST FOR GBA

THE ADVANCE OF GAMING

At first glance, you might think that Game Boy Advance is all about technology. Actually, it's about fun. Nintendo's engineers created Game Boy Advance to improve the quality of handheld games. The larger screen with its improved resolution and larger color palette is just one feature that Advance scores over previous Game Boy systems, not just because the screen is bigger, wider and sharper, but because players will be able to see more detail in the game environment. Characters may look more like real people. Monsters will look more frightening. Race car drivers will be able to see farther ahead for a more realistic experience.

Advance's biggest leap in performance over previous Game Boys comes from the inclusion of the 32-bit RISC processor. Game Boy and Game Boy Color use much less powerful 8-bit processors similar to the Central Processing Unit (CPU) of the original Nintendo Entertainment System. The Super NES was equipped with a 16-bit CPU. A lot has been said about how easy it will be to port games for the Super NES to GBA. The truth is that GBA can run circles around the Super NES in terms of manipulating graphics. Even in the first generation of games for GBA we are seeing things that could never have been done on the old 16-bit platforms. In fact, some developers are already pushing the limits of the hardware to achieve 3-D environments and prerendered sprites that look like high-resolution 3-D characters. In terms of game play, the faster 32-bit CPU of Game Boy Advance lets designers pump more action onto the screen at one time. Artists can create greater levels of detail and realism. A vastly improved sound system creates realistic music and effects, particularly if players don headphones. The Left and Right Buttons add to the player's ability to control characters, vehicles and other game elements. And the Advance Game Link Cable, with its built-in capacity to link up to four units, is set to revolutionize handheld multiplayer gaming.



Silent Hill from Konami uses prerendered, still images along with text to convey its story. There's very little animation, but the effect is still haunting.

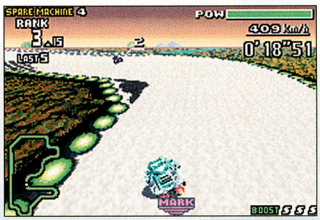
Picture-Perfect

Beauty is in the eye of the beholder, it's been said, and if you happen to be holding a Game Boy Advance, the statement is certainly true. Game Boy Advance games will be viewed on the unit's 2.9-inch Reflective TFT color LCD screen. The screen area is approximately 40% larger than the original Game Boy screen, and the GBA screen is wider than it is tall, like a regular television screen. The image is not only larger, it's sharper, too. The resolution of the screen is determined by the number of pixels on the screen. A pixel is a small dot composed of one color, and pixels are measured in horizontal and vertical lines. Game Boy Advance has 240 horizontal pixels and 160 vertical pixels. The entire screen is composed of 38,400 pixels. Amazingly, that's about 10,000 pixels per square inch, which is actually better definition than some HDTV sets.

The sharpness and brightness of the Game Boy Advance LCD (Liquid Crystal Display) screen are the result of reflective TFT technology. TFT is short for Thin Film Transistor, which refers to the element used to control the colors of the individual pixels. TFT LCDs provide the sharpest display, fastest update and widest viewing angle of all LCD screens. The update speed is important because video game animation will look choppy, blurry and unconvincing if the rate is too slow. The viewing angle of the screen is particularly important for a handheld system. A wide viewing angle allows players to tilt and move the GBA unit while playing and still be able to see the screen clearly. As for the reflective nature of the screen, it means that you'll need an ambient light source to brighten the screen. An ambient light source is anything from the sun to a lamp. A backlit LCD screen would be more expensive, drain your batteries much faster and have a much smaller viewing angle.

As for color, the GBA has a palette of 32,768 colors to choose from. The screen displays up to 511 individual colors at one time during normal game play, but in the cinematic bitmap mode, Game Boy Advance can display 32,768 colors simultaneously. That's a lot of beauty to behold.

Lots of characters can appear on the screen of the GBA at one time, like four racers and a bunch of items in Konami's Wacky Racing.

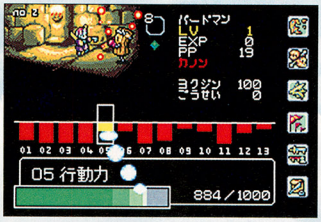


The Left and Right Buttons come into play in games like F-Zero Advance, where they allow drivers to make sharper turns.

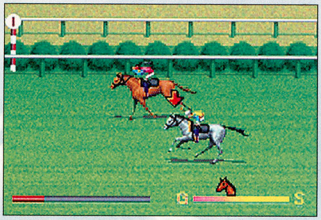
The high level of detail seen in games like Momotaro Festival adds richness to the virtual world and the gaming experience.

Brains and Brawn

The brain, not to mention the muscle of the GBA, is a custom-designed 32-bit RISC processor. The CPU contains nearly 150Kbytes of internal memory, speeding up calculations and improving graphics capabilities. The CPU runs the program on the Game Pak, produces the graphics, receives feedback from the Control Pad and buttons, handles communications with linked GBA units and creates the sound and music. The original Game Boy and Game Boy Color used 8-bit CPUs, capable of handling data in 8-bit chunks. The Game Boy Advance handles four times the amount of data at the same time, and it runs faster. If you consider that the Super NES used a 16-bit processor and the Playstation used a 32-bit processor, you'll begin to see how powerful Game Boy Advance is for a handheld gaming system. Game Boy Advance can reproduce any graphic effect from any Super NES game.



Unlike many GB and GBC RPGs that use simplified battle systems, GBA RPGs such as Monster Guardians from Konami will be complex and deep.



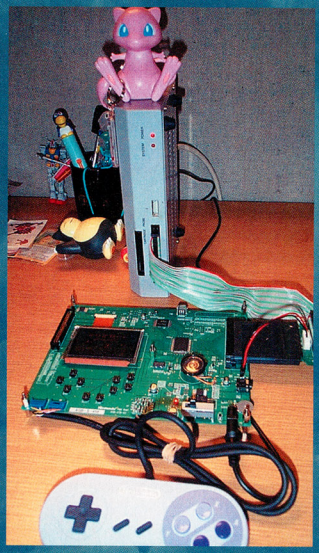
Koei's Winning Post will have a network function that uses the Mobile System so players can race their steeds against the horses of other trainers.

Amazingly, it can also produce almost perfect representations of some N64 games. A demonstration of Yoshi's Story is included with every Game Boy Advance Development Kit, which is the hardware and software that Nintendo sends to licensed GBA developers. Game Boy Advance can display 128 characters on the screen at one time, it can rotate and scale characters better than the Super NES, and it can produce stunning special effects such as the transparency of glass or water. Already, Game Boy Advance developers around the world are learning to create spectacular graphics and effects with the new hardware. One developer in Japan is working on a prerendered 3-D racing game that looks as good as a console 3-D racer. And a team in England is working on real 3-D shooters. The future advances are almost unlimited.

As Game Boy Advance is poised for the future, it is also set to embrace the past. One of the most impressive facts about the Game Boy Advance CPU is that it contains the entire Game Boy Color CPU inside it. The embedded CPU is what makes all existing Game Boy and Game Boy Color games playable on Game Boy Advance. In practical terms, it means that you can continue to enjoy your collection of Game Boy classics without having to switch between Game Boy and GBA. It also means that you'll have lots of games to choose from. In addition to a large launch library of titles for Game Boy Advance, many of which are shown in this article, you'll have a thousand or more Game Boy and Game Boy Color titles that you can play. You'll even have the option to stretch original Game Boy graphics to match the wider dimensions of the GBA. Now, that's a brainy system.

DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

The Game Boy family of gaming systems has spawned the creation of over a thousand titles over the past decade. More than 110 million game systems have been sold around the world, and many times that number of games have been sold to avid owners. Newbies in the video game industry can boast all they want about development support for their untested consoles, but when it comes down to the numbers, Game Boy Advance leads the way. At present, over 300 publishers and developers are hard at work creating Game Boy Advance games, most of which haven't been announced yet. The designers, programmers and artists of those companies are working with 1,200 development kits (dev kits) to create the games. In fact, developers are demanding so many additional dev kits, like the one shown in the photo, that the numbers are sure to go much higher. Advance development is just heating up.



ADVANCE GAMES: THE FIRST GENERATION

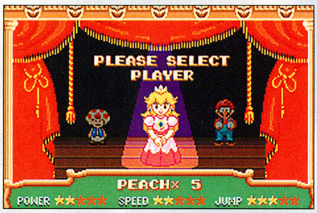
New hardware systems may be exciting, but the real excitement comes from the games. The first wave of titles from Nintendo and other publishers for Game Boy Advance includes some familiar names and characters and plenty of original games and new heroes. In the next few pages, you'll see the games that are on their way for the Japanese launch of GBA, followed by a host of titles that are likely candidates for release in North America this summer.

Super Mario Advance

Save the World of Dreams from Wart's Evil Plans

The classic Super Mario Bros. 2 action game has been updated for Game Boy Advance with enhanced graphics and sound. Fans of the original 1988 platformer for the NES will remember the battles with Birdo, Mouser, Fryguy and Clawgrip, but the battles may not look quite the same on the Game Boy Advance. Huge characters, giant vegetables, rotating images and other special effects will make Super Mario Advance look and play like a whole new version of SMB 2. The new look is packed into a 32-megabit Game Pak with 20 levels of jumping, stomping and block-busting fun. You'll also find multiplayer games based on the original Mario Bros. arcade game.

The gang is back for an updated adventure on GBA. When it was released in North America for the NES, the game was known as Super Mario Bros. 2.



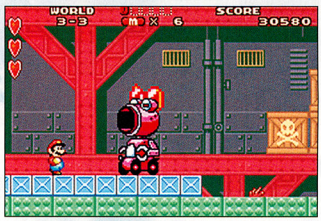
Peach and the other playable characters are rated for power, speed and jump. Princess Peach, it seems, has the gift of lift.

The Main Event

In the main adventure, players can choose to play with Mario, Luigi, Princess Peach or Toad. Each hero has special advantages or weaknesses in speed, acceleration and jumping distance. As in most classic Super Mario games, you'll collect traditional items such as mushrooms, keys and coins and special items, such as vegetables, which you throw at enemies. You'll face the wrath of characters such as Albatoss, Shyguy, Snifit, Cobrat and Bob-omb as you make your way through sandy deserts, tropical fields, icy wastelands and dangerous castles.

Enormous vegetables are new to the GBA version of the game. If you miss with a veggie of this size, you should probably play Harvest Moon instead.

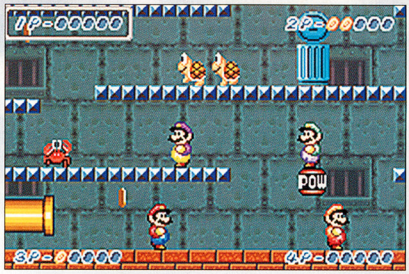
You'll also run into giant enemies like ShyGuy. You can pick them up and heave them, too—they'll rotate as they fly toward your target.

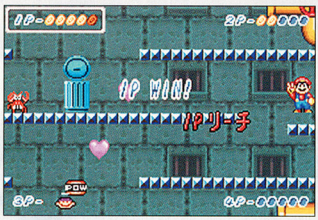


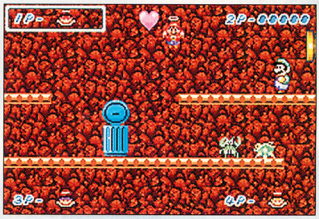
Classic enemies show greater detail and more complex moves, such as scaling and rotating, than in the original NES game.

Join in the Fun

One of the great things about Game Boy Advance is the ease with which you'll be able to play multiplayer games. It seems as if most of the early games from Nintendo have at least one or two multiplayer modes of play. In Super Mario Advance, one to four players can link up using the GBA Game Link Cable. In Single-Pak Mode, all four players can play using just one Game Pak, but they'll be limited to one level. A second multiplayer mode requires each player to have the game, and they'll have access to multiple areas. Super Mario Advance, which is still a tentative title for the North American market, should have loads of fun for every action fan.





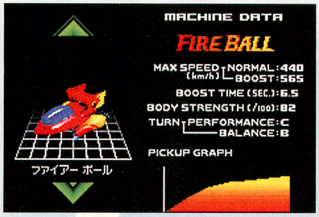


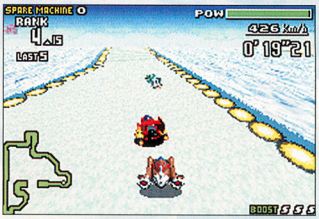
Based on the original Mario Bros. game, one to four players can join in the antics, competing in Classic and Battle Modes.

F-Zero for Game Boy Advance

The Future of Racing Is Advanced

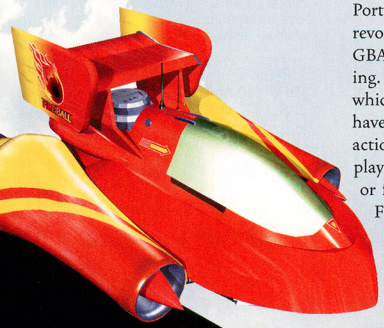
Nintendo's F-Zero series has always meant fast, futuristic vehicles competing on out-of-this-world courses. That hasn't changed as F-Zero shifts lanes to Game Boy Advance. You'll find yourself in the fast lane with a new cast of characters and rivals, a new collection of advanced vehicles and a new circuit of challenging courses set around the galaxy. F-Zero for the Super NES made use of scaling and rotation features to create its sense of speed. Game Boy Advance's 32-bit, turbo-charged performance will leave the Super NES game eating stardust.





One to Four Drivers Wanted

Portable gaming is about to go through a revolution. The multiplayer advances on GBA will unlock a whole new area of gaming. In F-Zero for Game Boy Advance, which is still a tentative title, players will have two options for simultaneous racing action. Using GBA Game Link Cables, players can race using just one Game Pak or four Game Paks. You'll get a taste of F-Zero multiplayer action with one Game Pak and a whole mess of racing if everyone has the game. Either way, no one is left out in the cold.



JAPAN ADVANCE NP

In addition to Nintendo's first-party titles, games are on the way from most of the major publishers in Japan. Nintendo Power has gathered the latest screen shots and information on the launch titles, but with over 200 screen shots, plus descriptions of the games, we ran out of room to show them all. To catch even more of the shots, head to nintendopower.com. You won't want to miss a single pixel of a single pic.

ROCKMAN EXE

Publisher: Capcom
Release date: March 21st

Capcom has a new twist on an old favorite. In Rockman EXE, the blue bomber (known as Mega Man in North America) must fight a virus in a virtual world. Using a Battle Chip, players send special computer weapon data to Rockman.

WINNING POST

Publisher: Koei
Release date: March 21st

Horse racing games have been big news in Japan for years, and Koei is betting that Winning Post will get off to a fast start when it is released with GBA in March. Players not only race their steeds—they breed and train them, as well.

MOMOTARO FESTIVAL

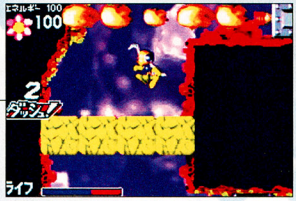
Publisher: Hudson Soft
Release date: March 21st

Hudson Soft's RPG is based on a popular character from Japanese folk stories. In the game, players guide the young hero, Momotaro, through adventures filled with humor and lots of minigame challenges.

PINOBEE'S GREAT ADVENTURE

Publisher: Hudson Soft
Release date: March 21st

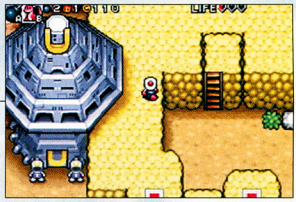
Pinobee, a robotic bee whose creator was kidnapped before completing his insectile creation, must rescue his inventor to make himself whole. The screen shots tell the story—gorgeous, side-scrolling levels. Expect a big buzz on this one.



BOMBERMAN STORY

Publisher: Hudson Soft
Release date: March 21st

Bomberman's adventure on the planet Fantarion features beautiful cinema scenes and explosive action with plenty of puzzles. Fans of the Bomberman series will look forward to the four-player mode.



ALL JAPAN GT CHAMPIONSHIP

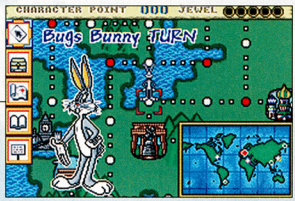
Publisher: Kemco
Release date: March 21st

Kemco's realistic racer features GBA Game Link Cable and Mobile System compatibility. Drivers move from the GT300 class to the challenging GT500 class. Road conditions change during races, and players can create custom courses.

TWEETY'S HEARTY PARTY

Publisher: Kemco
Release date: March 21st

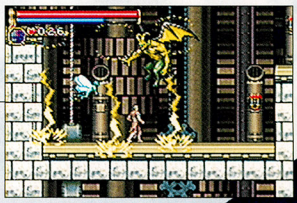
The Looney Tunes characters race to save Tweety Bird before he turns to stone. Players can link up with the GBA Game Link Cable or hook up over their cell phones with the Mobile System to play a wild assortment of minigames.



CASTLEVANIA: CIRCLE OF THE MOON

Publisher: Konami
Release date: March 21st

The side-scrolling action is hauntingly reminiscent of early Castlevania classics. As a vampire hunter armed with a whip and knife, you'll face ghouls, monsters and Dracula himself in dark abodes filled with cruel traps.



SILENT HILL

Publisher: Konami
Release date: March 21st

The text adventure that became a PSX hit in Japan looks stunning on Game Boy Advance. Prerendered graphics and moody music enrich the dark plot, and cinematic sequences showcase GBA's bitmap mode.

MAIL DE CUTE

Publisher: Konami
Release date: March 21st

Konami introduces a new style of adventure game in which game characters interact with players by sending them quizzes. If you do well in a quiz, you'll move ahead in the adventure.

WAI WAI RACING ADVANCE

Publisher: Konami
Release date: March 21st

Wai Wai Racing means Wacky Racing in translation. The wackiness comes through loud and clear in Konami's signature characters, the 16 courses and the many items to launch at your opponents, Mario Kart-style.

STARCOMI (STAR COMMUNICATOR)

Publisher: Konami
Release date: March 21st

One of the most ambitious titles for GBA is Konami's Starcomi. The game combines e-mail functions with a sim game. You can exchange e-mail over the Mobile System as well as befriend Starcomi, a cute character in the game.

MR. DRILLER 2

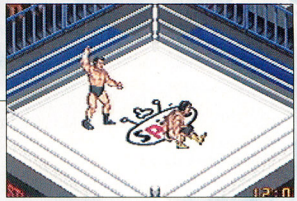
Publisher: Namco
Release date: March 21st

In Namco's puzzle game sequel, Mr. Driller scores points by digging through the colored blocks to reach prizes worth big points. It's classic arcade action that looks great in its new home on Game Boy Advance.

FIRE PRO WRESTLING ACE

Publisher: Spike
Release date: March 21st

Spike's wrestling series gets a grip on the handheld world for the first time. Players can wrestle with 200 characters or create their own. Each wrestler has cool signature moves, as well.



DODGE BALL FIGHTERS

Publisher: Atlus
Release date: Spring 2001

Atlus hopes to get a hit with Dodge Ball for Game Boy Advance. One hit may not be enough in the game, however, since players must reduce their opponents' HP to zero to win.

CHU CHU ROCKET!

Publisher: Sega
Release date: March 21st

The DC hit looks great on Game Boy Advance in the first pictures published in North America. Your job is to save your space mice before some mean space kitties turn them into space chow.

MUGEN KIKOU ZERO TOURS

Publisher: Media Ring
Release date: To Be Announced

In Media Ring's RPG title for Game Boy Advance, everyone dresses up in animal costumes. Friends can join your party, and if you hook up with a GBA Game Link Cable, you can open a hidden dungeon.

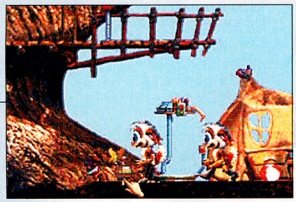
BRING IT HOME

Japan is just the first stop on the Game Boy Advance world tour. The next launch is right here in the U.S.A. and Canada on June 11th. Some of the titles that will be released at launch are fairly certain, and others may be subject to change. The games shown in this article are quite likely to be available on or soon after June 11th.

CREATURES

Publisher: Conspiracy Entertainment
Release date: June 11th

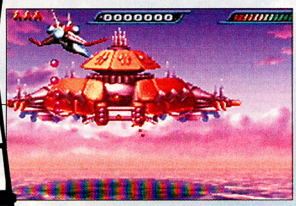
Conspiracy Entertainment has big plans for its virtual pet title. Players raise creatures known as Norns and Grendels, teaching them right from wrong and eventually creating a family. Conspiracy plans to create a GCN version as well.



IRIDION 3-D

Publisher: Majesco
Release date: June 11th

Majesco's 3-D space shooter features smooth animation running at 60 frames per second for an eye-popping experience. You'll fly from earth to the home of the Iridion Empire, fighting mechanoid fighters and bosses in seven regions.



FIEVEL: AN AMERICAN TAIL

Publisher: Kemco
Release date: March 21st

Game Boy Advance is the perfect format for Fievel—the loveable mouse from the movies. The platformer will lead Fievel from his home in New York to the Wild West as he collects pieces of a treasure map while seeking his lost friend.

EARTHWORM JIM

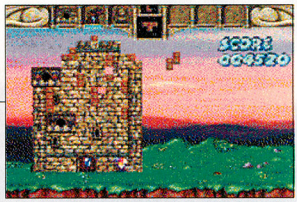
Publisher: Majesco
Release date: June 11th

Shiny's original Earthworm Jim platformer for the Super NES returns with state-of-the-art graphics for Game Boy Advance. Jim, empowered by a robotic super suit, sets off to save the galaxy from the evil machinations of Psy-crow.

FORTRESS

Publisher: Majesco
Release date: June 11th

Fortress is an original puzzle game that combines a pinch of Tetris with a sprinkle of Rampart, then tosses in a dash of Lemmings just for fun. Players build castles out of Tetris-like blocks then blast away at the enemy's fortress.



PITFALL: THE MAYAN ADVENTURE

Publisher: Majesco
Release date: June 11th

Another classic from the Super NES, Pitfall: The Mayan Adventure, is slated to arrive with the launch of GBA. Harry jumps, climbs, swings and fights through 10 areas in the treasure-rich jungles and temples of South America.

SUPER STREET FIGHTER II

Publisher: Capcom
Release date: August 2001

The game that began the fighting craze is headed to Game Boy Advance this summer. Super Street Fighter II recreates SFII for the Super NES in exacting detail. The characters, the moves, even the two-player VS. Mode have returned.

FINAL FIGHT

Publisher: Capcom
Release date: July 2001

Street brawling got its start with Final Fight in the arcade and on the Super NES. The GBA version of this classic includes the arcade version's Rolento stage, which wasn't in the Super NES game. And two players will be able to slug it out.

BREATH OF FIRE I

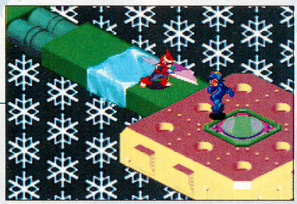
Publisher: Capcom
Release date: September 2001

Capcom has recreated one of the great epic adventures from the Super NES era. The story takes Ryu, the last member of the Light Dragon clan, on a journey to save the world. He is helped along the way with a diverse party of warriors.

MEGA MAN BATTLE NETWORK

Publisher: Capcom
Release date: July 2001

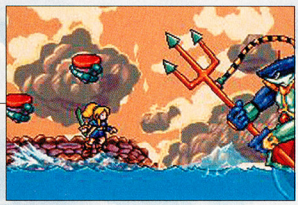
Mega Man BN may arrive by the launch of GBA in June, although currently it is scheduled for a July release. Players assume the role of Netto, a computer operative who works with a cyber version of Mega Man to stop crime.



LADY SIA

Publisher: TDK Mediactive
Release date: August 2001

The original story in TDK's beautiful, anime action-adventure involves a warrior princess named Sia who protects her kingdom by fighting the cruel T'soas beastmen. Her adventure passes through 16 levels in four worlds.



RAYMAN

Publisher: Ubi Soft
Release date: June 2001

Ubi Soft is set to showcase the power of Game Boy Advance with its stunning reproduction of the PSX version of Rayman. The game features 60 stages and bonus areas. Rayman reprises all of his great moves including his helicopter glide.

A SUMMER OF FUN

June 11th is just a few short months away, and portable gaming will never be the same once Game Boy Advance arrives here. The games look great, the system is truly revolutionary, and its price will leave you with enough cash to start building an Advance library. Enjoy the future.

MARIO PARTY® 3

Y'all want this party started, right? Mario's video board game is back, so shuffle on over to the bash of the year!

Threemendous!

Mario's third party doesn't officially get started until May 7, but we're taking an advance look at the N64 game. The party planners at Nintendo and Hudson Soft came up with 70 all-new minigames and plenty of new game boards to party down with. There's also a new two-player Duel Mode, which allows players to hire partners to win the game!

Party Hearty

All the elements that made the previous Mario Party games great fun are back in Mario Party 3, including lots of minigames and several game boards. This time around, the Millennium Star has landed in front of Peach's Castle, prompting another round of superstar competition. A new character, the die-shaped Tumble, is your guide to the games. Daisy and Waluigi are also on board as playable characters. Another character, Belltop, counts down to bonus minigames in the Duel Mode, where two players can compete against each other in an all-new type of battle. Players hire helpers such as Toad, Thwomp and Boo to help them attack and weaken their opponents to win the game. The Duel Mode is unlike anything you've seen in previous Mario Party games.

Are You Game?

Take a swing around our game board to get a glimpse at some of the 70 minigames you'll find inside Mario Party 3. You'll need a single die, a pair of scissors and a little luck to play our Mario Party 3 board game. Cut out the four Mario Party 3 character tokens and the 12 star tokens. Place the four character tokens (or one for each player) on the start space. The youngest player goes first. Roll the die and move your character counterclockwise along the board. Read the info on the space to find out what you should do next. You may be instructed to roll again, move your character backward or forward, or pick up a Star. Go around the board as many times as needed until one player makes it past the end space with at least three Stars.

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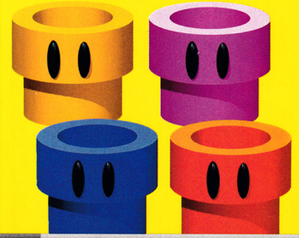
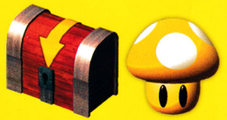


Messy Memory

You try your best to remember all the items, but you forget two. Still, your score is high enough to win. Good job! **ROLL AGAIN.**

Toad Shop

You stumble on to Toad's Shop. The friendly fungus sells lots of helpful stuff, so you pause to browse through all the wonderful merchandise.



The Beat Goes On

You keep the beat and remember the order of the drums! You've got rhythm—too much, actually. You play and play and **LOSE TWO TURNS.**

Eatsa Pizza

There's way too much pizza for you and your partner to eat! You can't eat another bite. Both you and the player to your left **MOVE BACK THREE SPACES!**

Crazy Cogs

It's you against three opponents, and you're on fire! Bullet Bill picks off your opponents 1-2-3. You win! **MOVE AHEAD ONE SPACE.**

Lucky Lamp

You use your Lucky Lamp to call the Mushroom Jeanie, who moves the Star location so you can grab it. **PICK UP ONE STAR.**

Chip Shot Challenge

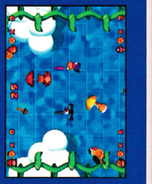
Chip shots? No problem! You study the green, check the wind direction and hit the ball perfectly. But it doesn't go in! You're so upset, you can't move. **LOSE ONE TURN.**

Winner's Wheel

You take a turn at the Winner's Wheel, and you pick up the Magic Lamp. The Lamp will take you to the Star on your next turn. Before you roll, **PICK UP ONE STAR AT THE START OF YOUR NEXT TURN.**

Parasol Plummet

As you float around with the help of your parasol, you collect far more coins than anyone else. Stick around to gloat about your victory until your next turn.



Boo!

How can this be? The person sitting to your left sent Boo after your Stars!

GIVE ONE STAR TO THE PERSON ON YOUR LEFT. If you don't have any Stars, **SEND BOO TO TAKE ONE STAR FROM ANY PLAYER. EITHER WAY, LOSE TWO TURNS.**

Cheep Cheep Chase

Swimming and diving to stay far away from the huge Cheep Cheep that's chasing you, you pull to the front of the pack—but you don't stop there! **MOVE AHEAD TWO SPACES.**

Baby Bowser Shop

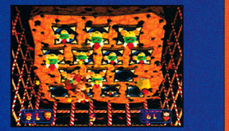
Baby Bowser sells items. You inspect his wares carefully, then select an item to give you a boost. **ROLL AGAIN.**

Merry-Go-Chomp

The giant Chain Chomp looks like he loves the color yellow. You try to jump to the green space, but you miss and land on—yellow! Oh no! Chomp! **LOSE ONE TURN.**

Baby Bowser Bonkers

You jump on many more Baby Bowsers than your opponent—but those horns are sharp! **JUMP FORWARD TWO SPACES.**



Mario's Puzzle Party

The blocks are falling too fast! You accidentally switch the blocks, and you lose badly. **LOSE TWO TURNS.**

Picture Imperfect

You're winning until you see all the silly pictures your opponents are making and start to laugh. Stay on this space until your next turn, when the giggles fade.

Bowser!

That no-good Bowser has an event for you. Roll the die to determine your event:

Your Roll	Event
1, 2	Lose one turn
3, 4	Lose one Star
5, 6	Win one Star

Dorrie's Dip

You Ground-Pound on Dorrie's back, but she picks up Bowser. But wait! You found a Hidden Block! **WIN ONE STAR.**

END

The first player to land on or past this space with three or more Stars is the winner!

PLAYERS

For our tribute to Mario Party 3, you can choose from Mario, Waluigi, Peach, and DK . Cut around the dotted lines, then fold the figures slightly at the bottom so they'll stand up.

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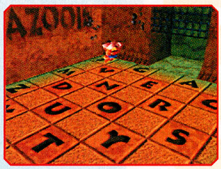
BANJO-KAZOOIE

BANJO-KAZOOIE SECRETS REVEALED!

Ever since the release of Banjo-Kazooie, gamers everywhere have been wondering about the Rare adventure's cryptic secrets. What's the skinny on the Ice Key? Or the rumored secret eggs? Well, grab a backpack and hang on, because we've got info galore headed your way. All of the codes are entered at the sand castle in Treasure Trove Cove, and you'll need to drain it first. Look for a ledge with a bucket above the castle, then face away from the bucket and fire two eggs into it. Once the castle is drained you can input letters on the floor inside by performing a Beak Buster on each one. Some of the cheats, like the Ice Key, will show a brief cut-scene, while others will simply make a strange noise to let you know you've entered it correctly. The first seven codes will unlock six special eggs, the Ice Key and a menu called "Stop 'n' Swop"—but they work only if you've already been to those levels. We haven't been able to find a use for the items yet, but rest assured we'll keep trying. As for the other codes, they will open up note doors, remove walls and open all the levels. Be very careful with any cheats that aren't egg- or key-related, however! If you use more than two, Grunty will erase your game! Even if you quit the game and restart, you'll still be limited to the two cheat codes—so you'll want to save them for a time when you're really stuck. Note that you will need to enter the word "cheat" before each code, but it isn't necessary to use spaces. And finally, we'd like to offer up a big congratulations to the two readers who first clued us in to Rare's treasure trove of cheats.



Enter the codes by performing a Beak Buster on each letter. You'll hear a "moo" while entering the word "cheat" but no sounds for the other letters.

WARNING:
DON'T GET GREEDY, MY LITTLE CHEATER, OR OR I'LL SHOW YOU A CODE THAT MAKES YOU TEETER. USE MORE THAN TWO OF MY SECRET TRICKS AND I'LL ERASE YOUR GAME FOR KICKS. THE ONLY EXCEPTIONS ARE EGGS AND THE KEY, SINCE THEY WON'T HELP YOU WALLOP ME!

CODE	RESULT
DONT YOU GO AND TELL HER ABOUT THE SECRET IN HER CELLAR	OPEN A CASKET IN GRUNTY'S CELLAR AND FIND A BLUE EGG
OUT OF THE SEA IT RISES TO REVEAL MORE SECRET PRIZES	RAISE SHARK FOOD ISLAND AND FIND A PURPLE EGG
A DESERT DOOR OPENS WIDE ANCIENT SECRETS WAIT INSIDE	UNLOCK THE ROCK WALL GATE IN GOBI'S VALLEY AND GET THE DARK BLUE EGG
AMIDST THE HAUNTED GLOOM A SECRET IN THE BATHROOM	REVEAL A GREEN EGG IN MAD MONSTER MANSION'S SECOND FLOOR BATHROOM
THIS SECRET YOULL BE GRABBIN IN THE CAPTAINS CABIN	REVEAL A RED EGG IN THE CAPTAIN'S CABIN IN RUSTY BUCKET BAY
NOW BANJO WILL BE ABLE TO SEE IT ON NABNUTS TABLE	REVEAL A YELLOW EGG IN NABNUT'S HOUSE IN CLICK CLOCK WOOD
NOW YOU CAN SEE A NICE ICE KEY WHICH YOU CAN HAVE FOR FREE	REVEAL THE ICE KEY INSIDE THE FREEZEEZY PEAK ICE CAVE
THERES NOWHERE DANKER THAN IN WITH CLANKER	OPEN CLANKER'S CAVERN
NOW INTO THE SWAMP YOU CAN STOMP	OPEN BUBBLE GLOOP SWAMP

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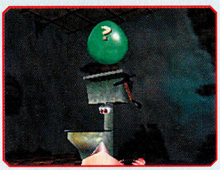
CODE	RESULT
THE JIGGYS DONE SO OFF YOU GO INTO FREEZEEZY PEAK AND ITS SNOW	OPEN FREEZEEZY PEAK
GOBIS JIGGY IS NOW DONE TREK ON IN AND GET SOME SUN	OPEN GOBI'S VALLEY
THE JIGGYS NOW MADE WHOLE INTO THE MANSION YOU CAN STROLL	OPEN MAD MONSTER MANSION
WHY NOT TAKE A TRIP INSIDE GRUNTYS RUSTY SHIP	OPEN RUSTY BUCKET BAY
THIS ONES GOOD AS YOU CAN ENTER THE WOOD	OPEN CLICK CLOCK WOOD
THESE GO RIGHT ON THROUGH NOTE DOOR TWO	OPEN THE SECOND NOTE DOOR
NOTE DOOR THREE GET IN FOR FREE	OPEN THE THIRD NOTE DOOR
TAKE A TOUR THROUGH NOTE DOOR FOUR	OPEN THE FOURTH NOTE DOOR
USE THIS CHEAT NOTE DOOR FIVE IS BEAT	OPEN THE FIFTH NOTE DOOR
THIS TRICKS USED TO OPEN NOTE DOOR SIX	OPEN THE SIXTH NOTE DOOR
THE SEVENTH NOTE DOOR IS NOW NO MORE	OPEN THE SEVENTH NOTE DOOR
WEBS STOP YOUR PLAY SO TAKE THEM AWAY	REMOVE ALL SPIDER WEBS

CODE	RESULT
THEY CAUSE TROUBLE BUT NOW THEYRE RUBBLE	REMOVE ALL BREAKABLE WALLS
BOTH PIPES ARE THERE TO CLANKERS LAIR	REMOVE TWO PIPES BY CLANKER'S CAVERN
SHES AN UGLY BAT SO LETS REMOVE HER GRILLE AND HAT	REMOVE THE GRILL INSIDE THE WITCH STATUE NEAR BUBBLE GLOOP SWAMP
YOULL CEASE TO GRIPE WHEN UP GOES A PIPE	REMOVE THE LARGE PIPE NEXT TO CLANKER'S CAVERN
ITS YOUR LUCKY DAY AS THE ICE BALL MELTS AWAY	REMOVE THE ICE CUBE IN FRONT OF THE FREEZEEZY PEAK JIGSAW PUZZLE
GRUNTY WILL CRY NOW THAT YOUVE SMASHED HER EYE	BREAK THE EYE OF THE GRUNTY STATUE NEAR MAD MONSTER MANSION
YOU WONT HAVE TO WAIT NOW THERES NO CRYPT GATE	REMOVE THE CRYPT GATE NEAR MAD MONSTER MANSION
THIS SHOULD GET RID OF THE CRYPT COFFIN LID	REMOVE THE COFFIN LID IN THE MAD MONSTER MANSION CRYPT
THE GRILLE GOES BOOM TO THE SHIP PICTURE ROOM	REMOVE THE GRILL IN FRONT OF THE RUSTY BUCKET BAY JIGSAW PUZZLE
ONCE IT SHONE BUT THE LONG TUNNEL GRILLE IS GONE	OPEN A TUNNEL THAT LEADS TO THE CLICK CLOCK WOOD JIGSAW PUZZLE
DONT DESPAIR THE TREE JIGGY PODIUM IS NOW THERE	MAKE A JIGGY PODIUM APPEAR IN CLICK CLOCK WOOD
UP YOU GO WITHOUT A HITCH TO THE WATER LEVEL SWITCH	RAISE THE WATER LEVEL NEAR RUSTY BUCKET BAY

Arise, Shark Food Island! Arise and give me a Purple Egg!



Who left a Green Egg in here?

Nabnuts had the Yellow Egg this whole time? That's nutty.

The Ice Key revealed!

HARVEST MOON 64

HEAVY MEDALS

The medals won from betting on dog and horse races in Harvest Moon 64 will buy an up-and-coming farmer loads of useful gear, including a new dog house and extra stamina for your horse. But securing the precious prizes has always meant putting your hard-earned cash on the line. Well, no more. To bet on the races for free, head to the Town Square and talk to the Mayor's Wife. Place your bets as usual, but instead of selecting the "OK" icon when you're finished, press the B Button until you are back at the playing screen. You'll receive medals if your chosen animals win or place, but you won't lose any money in the process!

WE LIKE THESE ODDS

The horse races take place on the 17th of Spring and the 28th of Fall. The dog race occurs on the 18th of Winter. You won't be allowed to bet on any race in which one of your own animals is participating.

BLADE™

SINK YOUR TEETH INTO CODES

While we're on the subject of the undead, we're reminded that late last year Activision teamed up with Marvel Comics to produce Blade, a surprisingly well-crafted action title for the Game Boy Color. As Blade, vampire hunter extraordinaire, you scour the dark city's mean streets for fanged night-crawlers to exterminate. And for any of you who felt the hunting was a bit too challenging, we have a tasty treat. If you enter the code 9?!1N?BKT?51G at the Password screen, you'll be transported instantly to the game's ending sequence!

Why muck around with stakes and garlic when you can view the final scene with ease?

Buffy the Vampire Slayer

STAKE YOUR CLAIM

It's a good day for vampire hunters, as Classified Info serves up codes for two of the better games in the genre. We'll start off the fun with Buffy the Vampire Slayer, the new GBC game from THQ. Input the following codes at the Load Game screen to open all the levels. Level 2—9MD1WV. Level 3—XTN4F7. Level 4—5BVPLZ. Level 5—9D6FoS. Level 6—TSCNB4. Level 7—CSJTQZ. Level 8—BNPXZ9.

LEAPING LEVELS

It takes a whole lot of punching, kicking and stake driving to reach the finale of Buffy the Vampire Slayer, but now you can save the town of Sunnydale while barely lifting a finger.

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CODE COP

KEEP ON TRUCKIN'

Bad codes never sleep, and unfortunately for them, neither does the Code Cop. We've been getting a number of reports about an abandoned vehicle near the S.S. Anne in Pokémon Red, Blue and Yellow. Some trainers have apparently heard that Mew is hiding under the pickup truck and can be claimed if they use Strength to shove it out of the way. Well, we can report that there is no truth whatsoever to the rumor. My partner and I shoved that truck until our arms were throbbing, and then had a towtruck haul it off—there's nothing under there but some old oil stains. Maybe the powerful Psychic-type simply prefers luxury import models.

MISSING MEW
The truck may be tempting, but don't waste your time.

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STAR WARRIORS

LucasArts always seems to slip some creative codes into their games, but *Star Wars:* Episode I: Battle for Naboo takes the cake. Apparently the design team has been watching a lot of DVDs, because it included a secret track of audio commentary for every stage. Members of the team wax philosophic about level design, programming challenges and anything else that crosses their minds. It's one of the most creative uses of cheat codes we've encountered in a long time, and it's also a unique chance to learn about the game design process. We've rounded up a few codes of the game play variety, too, and have included them below for your droid-blasting pleasure.

Input the code TALKTOME at the Passcode menu to hear the developers' secret commentary!

CODE	RESULT
LEC&FIVE	OPEN ALL STAGES UP TO LEVEL 15
OVERLOAD	GIVE ALL SHIPS MAXIMUM STATS
KOOLSTUF	OPEN AN ART GALLERY IN THE OPTIONS MENU
WAKEUP	OPEN A MUSIC TEST IN THE OPTIONS MENU
EWERDEAD	DESTROY ALL CRAFT (INCLUDING YOURS) WITH ONE HIT
PATHETIC	GET INFINITE LIVES (NO MEDALS CAN BE WON WHILE THE CODE IS ON)
DRJEKYLL	MAKE WATER CHOPPY

FIERCE DEITY DOINGS

One of the choicest masks in The Legend of Zelda: Majora's Mask is the Fierce Deity's Mask. Unfortunately, you've been able to use it only in boss battles. Until now, that is . . . because we've discovered a trick to let you wander all over Termina in Fierce Deity mode! First, you must put on the Bunny Hood, warp to the third day and go to Sakon's hideout in Ikana Canyon. Once there, slow down time, approach the hideout and look at the door—you will see a small crack on the right-hand side. If you run and roll at the crack, you will eventually slip inside. (If you get through but fall into the water, climb back up and try again.) Once you're inside, talk to Kafei. The two of you will then begin racing through a maze in an attempt to save the stolen Sun's Mask. During the race you will gain temporary control of Kafei. While you're controlling him, bring up the menu and replace the Bunny Hood with the Fierce Deity's Mask. When you control Link again, he will have no choice but to don the new mask. If you manage to complete the maze, you'll appear at the entrance to Sakon's hideout as the Fierce Deity! Turn around and dive into the water, then take the right-hand tunnel. It will lead you to the Southern Swamp. From there you can visit Clock Town, explore the landscape or just introduce the natives to your Great Fairy Sword!

The crack can be tricky. You may need to roll at it a number of times before you'll be able to slip inside.

Once you enter Clock Town, you won't be able to leave. You'll also need to duck if you want to enter buildings.

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AIDYN CHRONICLES
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The Rise of Chaos

Last month, we introduced you to Aidyn basics such as combat strategies, experience point distribution and teammate selection. We also walked you through the game up to the mountains near Erroman. This month's coverage will take you deep into the heart of Aidyn, where you'll encounter challenges and monsters beyond imagining. But if you're still having trouble in the goblin stronghold, take heart. We've posted new maps at our website, nintendopower.com.

Goblin Smashing

There are no two ways about it—navigating through the goblin stronghold in the mountains north of Erroman can be a taxing chore. Make your questing easier with our online maps, straight from THQ and H2O to you.

A Few Loose Ends

The powers of Chaos grow stronger by the day, and there's little time to waste if you hope to overcome the evil. Though Txomin, the king of Erroman, has instructed you to meet Ardra at the Wizard's School in Talewok, delay briefly before setting out. You still need to meet with some of the locals, do a little shopping and decide on the future makeup of your party.

The House of the Mirari Sisters

If you spoke to Oriana after leaving Castle Gwernia, you'll recall her telling you to visit her Erromanian friends, Gotzone and Zurene. To find them, leave Txomin's castle and locate the small bridge to the south.

Cross the bridge, turn right and follow the path until you see a ladder on your left. Climb the ladder, head north and climb the next ladder on your left—you'll be at the sister's front door.

Becan

Becan is a decent fighter with a high Ranger skill, so if you're short on herbs and gems, he makes a solid addition to the party. With the exception of the Ranger skill, however, Becan's talents are mostly ones that Abrecan already possesses.

Sticks and Stones

The Mirari sisters will escort you to a great feast in the caverns beneath the town. Talk to Yeraza, a Mirari elder, to receive Stormbreaker—a branch of wood that can calm even the fiercest tempests. Once your conversation is finished, explore the cavern to find a pair of traders. Purchase a Belt of Life if you can afford it.

Heroes Stay Free

The innkeeper at Erroman will offer you a free room in exchange for your service to the town. In the rear of the inn you'll find Becan, a former knight who has given up the ways of the sword for the gentle life of a shopkeeper. He'll join your party with a little coaxing. Search behind the purple glass sculpture in the lobby for a pair of Troubadour Gloves.

The Road Warriors

The road to Talewok is fairly straightforward—and many signs point the way—but as you travel you'll encounter a number of enemies. If you fought all of the goblins on your previous quest, the battles are very winnable—but be especially wary of Bandit Bosses. They use magic and have high stats, so take them out quickly. You should also spend time searching the surrounding countryside for treasure.

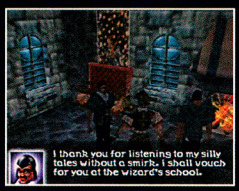
Hidden Headgear

The road to Talewok veers around a forest that contains a cave with a Wizard's Hat inside. Follow the road until you see a clearing on the right. Walk through the clearing until you find a scorched-looking patch of earth. If you're lost, look on the map for a circular opening in the otherwise dense forest.

Godric

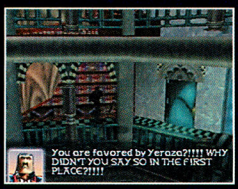
Godric, the mad alchemist, is waiting at the Wizard's School, giving you a second chance to add him to the party. He knows Elemental magic, which gives him many powerful offensive spells, but he remains next to useless in physical combat.

Back on Inn



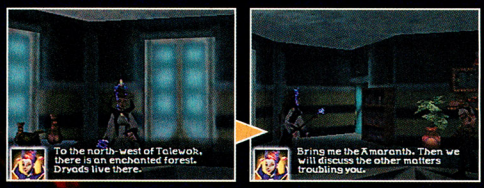
The innkeeper's son at Talewok has a number of long and boring tales to tell. If you listen to his woes without a peep, he'll vouch for your good name at the Wizard's School. Enter the middle room of the inn to see a short cut-scene with Brenna.

Regarding Guarding



The first guard at the Wizard's School demands to know your name—tell him a nonsense word to pass. The guard at Ardra's door won't let you in until you mention Yeraza. If you have enough experience and gold, the professors will teach you new spells.

The Root of the Problem



Ardra is a powerful wizard, but even she can't heal your poisoning without some assistance. After looking you over, she'll instruct you to enter the woods behind her school and find a substance called Amaranth Root. Though she tells you it grows in the NW, it's actually in the NE—and it won't grow at all until you speak to Pandara, the Dryad Queen.

Into the Woods

You need to find Pandara before the Amaranth can be yours, but the enchanted forest is a confusing mass of tangled paths and switchbacks. Talk to other Dryads for assistance, but think twice before engaging them in combat—the winged ones are fierce warriors. Saying kind and complimentary words will help, but don't declare that they have a wild look in their eyes or you'll be attacked in force.

Pandara's Rocks

To find Pandara, follow the school's rear wall until you come to a break in the trees just past a mushroom patch. Enter the break and walk until you reach a large, mossy boulder, then follow the trees on your left until you're facing SW. Once you are, walk straight. You'll enter a rock-filled glade where Pandara awaits. If you're wandering in circles, go to nintendopower.com for a QuickTime movie of the trip.

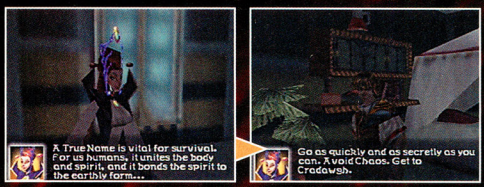
Hide and Spell

Once you speak with Pandara, she'll make the Amaranth Root grow. Leave her glade and walk through the woods to the far southeast corner, where you'll see a black tree surrounded by mushrooms. The Amaranth is at the tree's base. Once you've secured the magical medicine, have Brenna use her thieving skills on the tree to get some gold, then return to Pandara. If you can't find her glade, leave the woods and follow the path you used the first time.

Making Melodies

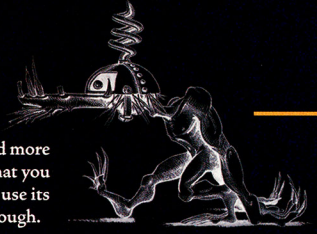
Pandara has another gift for you, but she must first be wooed with a well-sung ballad. If your Troubadour skill is low, she'll cover her ears in disgust—but keep trying. Eventually your rusty voice will win her over and she'll give you a magical amulet.

Class Is in Session



Return to Ardra with the Amaranth Root. Once she realizes she can't cure you, you'll be sent to Port Saiid to locate a wizard named Cradwagh. He lives on a small island, so you'll need to charter a boat. Before you go, browse through the school's extensive library if you have the Loremaster skill. Once you're ready to leave, take the south bridge out of town.

Spells Chart



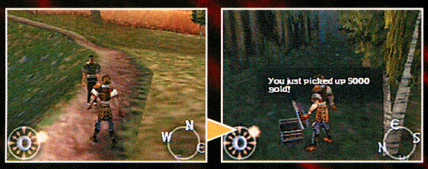
As you progress through the game, you'll be able to master different and more powerful kinds of magic. Below is a chart that describes some of the best spells that you can learn. Note that there are four schools of magic and you must be of a school to use its spells. The exception is Alaron, who can cast any spell if his Wizard skill is high enough.

Name	School	Rank	Dam.	Range	Description	Restrictions
Earth Smite	Elemental	6	4	1m/Rank	The target of this spell is struck by a large chunk of earth and crushed.	Must be human sized or smaller
Exhaustion	Necromancy	2	0	1m/Rank	Target loses 2 strength for each Rank of the spell.	None
Mirror	Neutral	6	0	1m/Rank	Effectively reflects the next few spells cast on the target.	None
Web of Starlight	Star	3	2	1m/Rank	Target is enclosed in a glowing web and will take damage each round in which it is stuck.	Must be human sized or smaller
Wall of Bones	Necromancy	5	0	1m/Rank	Any single target within range is surrounded by a wall of bleached bones and cannot attack, cast spells or move.	Targets need a True Name
Clumsiness	Star	2	0	1m/Rank	Target loses 2 Dexterity value for each rank of the spell.	None
Stupidity	Naming	2	0	1m/Rank	Target loses 2 Intelligence for each rank of the spell.	None
Brilliance	Naming	2	0	1m/Rank	Target gains 2 Intelligence per Rank of the spell.	None
Teleportation	Naming	8	0	2m/Rank	Caster teleports to a chosen point on the battlefield within range.	Caster only

A Port of Import

Much like the journey to Talewok, the road to Port Saiid is littered with monsters and bandits. Once you reach the Port Saiid bridge, you'll need to talk down an overeager knight-in-training named Arturo. You'll return to him in a bit, but be sure to explore both the beaches to the left and dusky cliffs to the right for gold, weapons and other treasure.

A King's Ransom



Before you reach the Port Saiid bridge, but after you're within sight of the beach, bear right and explore along the tree line. Nestled deep in the darkness is a chest that contains 5,000 pieces of gold.

Slay the Ogres

Ogres can be an imposing sight, but since they are so slow and bulky, a team with high dexterity can take them out before they do much more than grunt. They usually carry lots of gold, heavy armor and powerful weaponry, too.

Arriving at Port Saiid

For a town that makes its living by the ocean, the denizens of Port Saiid are surprisingly unwilling to help you charter a boat. The merchants usually pay pretty good money for your plunder, however, and you can find powerful weapons like the Heartseeker Bow for a decent price. Be sure to visit the bandit merchant in the cellar of the first house on the right.

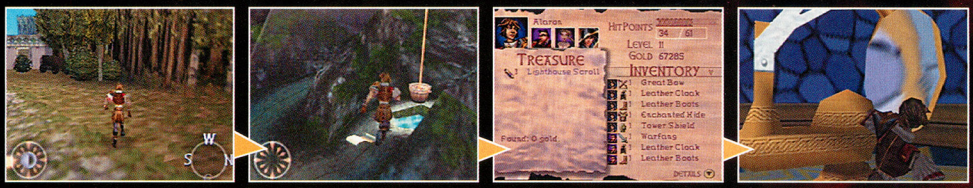
Beam Me up, Alaron

Take a look at the pond outside the gates to Port Saiid. If you enter the water you'll locate a treasure chest with a Teleportation Spell inside. It's quite handy, but you must be a level-8 Wizard before you can learn the spell.

Keelin

You'll find the sassy Keelin in the Port Saiid Inn. She's a talented thief who can pick locks and backstab with precision. She's also a Night Aspect, which means she can use weapons and items that others can't. Keelin, with low Endurance as her only flaw, makes a good addition to any team.

Fire up the Lighthouse



Boats won't be able to leave Port Saiid until the lighthouse is repaired, so get moving. First, find a path behind some bushes next to the home with a bandit in the cellar. Follow the path to a cave where you'll find the Lighthouse Scroll.

Leave town, take the left branch of the road (the one with no sign) and make your way to the lighthouse. Upon arrival, go to the top floor and use the scroll to light the flame. Search a cave under the lighthouse for gold.

Arturo

Arturo is well-armed and strong as an ogre, but he's incredibly slow. Unless you want to spend half the game building up his dexterity, it's best to leave him at the bridge. That doesn't mean he's useless, however. A sly trick with characters you won't use is to let them join your party, take their armor and weapons, then send them packing.

Bounty Hunting

Talk to a merchant near the docks in Port Saiid. He'll ask if you have solved the town's Arturo problem. If not, return to the burly knight and convince him to let the townsfolk pass. Whether or not Arturo joins your party, the merchant will give you gold as a reward.

Sail Away

Once the lighthouse again burns brightly, you'll be able to sail to Cradwagh's Island. Haggle with the sailor on the dock until he agrees to take you for 400 gold. Along the way, a fierce storm will strand your party on an uncharted island. It's a desolate and spooky place, but summon your courage and explore.

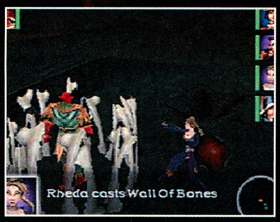
Them Bones

One of the most powerful spells in the game is Wall of Bones, a Necromancy spell that traps its victim in place behind a barrier of bleached bones. You'll find a Wall of Bones Wand on the island. Follow the coastline until you see a Warp Portal atop a hill. Behind the hill, half-buried in sand, is a chest with the wand inside. It holds only five charges, and you'll need one very quickly—so use it wisely.

The Chaos Temple

The skull-shaped Chaos Temple is packed to the gills with some very tough monsters, but the rewards are well worth the struggle. Save your game often and keep an eye out for Chaos Robes, Chaos Shields and a second Teleportation spell.

Meeting Marquis

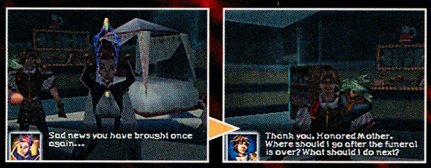


You can't defeat the creature Marquis with weaponry, but a single blast from the Wall of Bones Wand will freeze him in his tracks and grant you an amulet that lets you control him. Perhaps you'll meet again?

On to Cradwagh's Island

Once you've cleared the Chaos Temple and defeated Marquis, return to the boat and continue on to Cradwagh's Island. Upon arrival, make your way to the center of the island, where you'll find the wizard being attacked by Chaos Monsters. You'll be too late to save his life, so pack up his body and bring it back to Talewok for a proper burial. Remember to explore the caves on his island before you go.

At the Funeral



Return to Talewok and tell Ardra the grim news, then proceed through the town to a large, glass-covered house where old friends have gathered to pay their respects to Cradwagh. Listen to the eulogy, then strike out for the free town of Terminor.

Even More Magic

We've taken you almost halfway through the massive world that is Aidyn, and the rest of the journey will be up to you. You'll continue the quest by battling against powerful trolls, evil necromancers and even dragons while you learn new and unbelievable spells like Crushing Death and Wraith Touch. Additionally, there are five more possible party members that you haven't even discovered yet. Battle on, brave Alaron. And may the wind of victory be always at your back.

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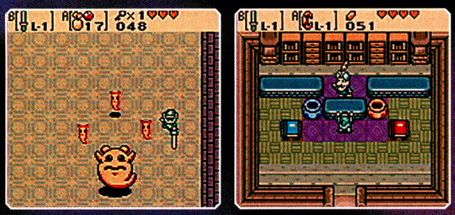
A HERO FOR ALL AGES

The Legend of Zelda series and Hyrule's hero, Link, return to Game Boy Color this spring with the simultaneous release of two awesome adventures developed by Nintendo and Capcom. Last issue, we took a first look at The Legend of Zelda: Oracle of Seasons. This issue, we focus on its companion, The Legend of Zelda: Oracle of Ages.

Using the power of the Triforce, Link travels to the land of Labrynna, where a sorceress has taken control over the will of the citizens for her own evil intentions. The struggle takes place in one land over two time periods—Link's present and an age of hardship 400 years in the past. Link harnesses the power of the Harp of Ages to pass through time and face off with the sorceress, Veran, in both the present and the past. He is in for the challenge of all time—he must protect history, defeat Veran and restore order to Labrynna.



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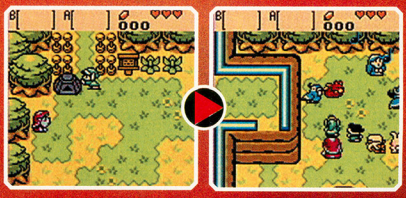
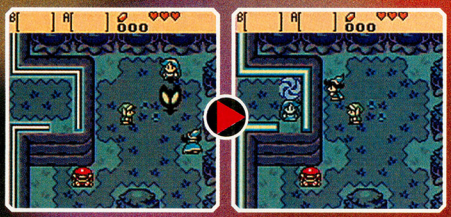
Oracle of Seasons and Oracle of Ages are the result of a collaboration between game developers from Nintendo and Capcom. The Japanese website **Ki no ue no Himitsu kichi** recently conducted an interview with Nintendo's renowned **Shigeru Miyamoto**, Capcom game producer **Yoshiki Okamoto** and Capcom director Yoshifumi Yamashita about the process of making two new Legend of Zelda games at once. Following are excerpts from that interview.

History Rewritten

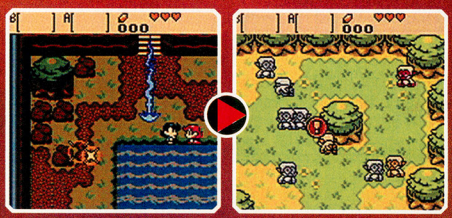
With her sights set on controlling the land of Labrynna, Veran, the Sorceress of Shadows, plans to change the past so that she can rule over the present. The power that she needs is in the hands of Nayru, the Sorceress of Ages. As the adventure begins, Link travels to Labrynna and unintentionally leads Veran to Nayru. When Veran takes control over Nayru's mind, they both disappear into the past. With that, present-day Labrynna begins to change, reflecting a shift in the land's history. Link must travel to the past and right Veran's wrongs before the Sorceress of Shadows can take over completely. On his quest, Link will uncover the Harp of Ages and the eight Essences of Time—items that will give him the power to fight the evil Sorceress. The past and present of Labrynna are in his hands.



When Link arrives in Labrynna, Veran tricks him into leading her to a hidden grove, where Nayru, the Sorceress of Ages, is singing.



Veran takes over Nayru's mind and opens a portal to the past. Then, she takes Nayru to another time in the history of Labrynna.



After Veran changes history, some things in the present change to reflect the land's new past. Natural events occur, creatures disappear and chaos reigns.

Discover Labrynna

The land of Labrynna is vast and mysterious. As you guide Link through his quest, you will find the hiding places of the eight Essences of Time in a wide variety of terrain types, including the Fairies' Woods, the Nuun Plateau, Crescent Strait and the Sea of Storms. You'll also meet many characters—old and new, good and bad. Familiar characters include the Zora King from Ocarina of Time and Tingle from Majora's Mask. Besides Nayru and Veran, the most prominent new character is an old friend of Nayru's who has also set out to find her. He will goad you on over the course of your journey and provide some clues about the road ahead.

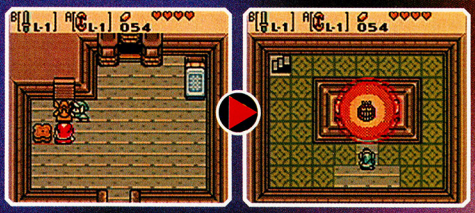
Question: The Capcom team started by developing the games on its own. At what point did you decide that you needed more input from Nintendo?

Mr. Okamoto: The members of our team weren't agreeing over the direction that game development should take. I thought that we should produce a new version of the first Zelda game (released for the NES in the U.S.) for Game Boy Color. Then, if it went well, we could move on to the next stage (making a more ambitious game). But my people wanted to skip that first phase and create their own Zelda game from the beginning. Mr. Miyamoto normally creates the game scenario (story and characters) after the initial game play is designed. If the action part of the game is solid, the scenario can be developed from there. We started by using the Capcom scenario creation company, Flag Ship, to create the scenario first. Then we created maps and started developing the game. I don't believe that worked.

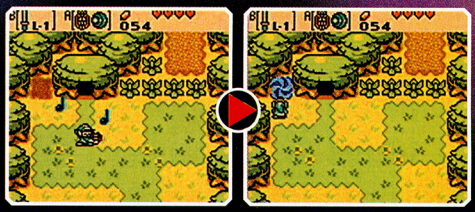
Mr. Miyamoto: (Laughs) That didn't work?

Time Is Your Tool

To save the Sorceress of Ages and bring peace back to the land, you will travel back and forth through time by playing Nayru's Harp of Ages. When you play the Harp of Ages in some areas, a magical whirlwind will appear. Enter the whirlwind to make time shift from past to present or present to past. That ability to travel through time will help you explore remote parts of Labrynna. If you move a stone to redirect the flow of a stream in the past, for example, you can return to the present to discover that what was once a difficult-to-cross lake has become an easily navigable field. You can also plant seeds in the past and return to the present to find trees and vines that you can climb to reach high places. The cause-and-effect relationship between the past and the present is the basis for many of the game's challenging puzzles.



Early in your travels through Labrynna, you will find the Harp of Ages in the basement of a house.



Play the harp in certain parts of the land to make a magical whirlwind appear. That whirlwind is your key to the past.

Restore Power

As you explore the land, you will enter dungeons where you will take on the agents of Veran and get one step closer to your battle with the Sorceress of Shadows herself. With every dungeon victory, you will recover one of the eight Essences of Time. Those prizes give strength to the Maku Tree of Labrynna and help it grow, restoring power to the land. After you have collected all of the Essences of Time, you will earn the power that you need to face off with Veran.

The Maku Tree gets strength from the Essences of Time and helps restore power to the land.

Mr. Okamoto: Using that system, the team had to redo both the scenario and the maps several times to make all the elements fit. During that process, we realized that, since the Game Boy Color screen is narrower than a TV screen, the player must scroll the screen to the left and right to see the whole room. That created some difficulties in game play development. If you see a crack on a wall, you know that you need to use a bomb to break through. But, if you can't see the crack because all of the walls in the room aren't visible at once, you could miss it. That led to more difficulty in developing the maps.

Question: So, you asked for Mr. Miyamoto's help about a year after you started the project. Is that right?

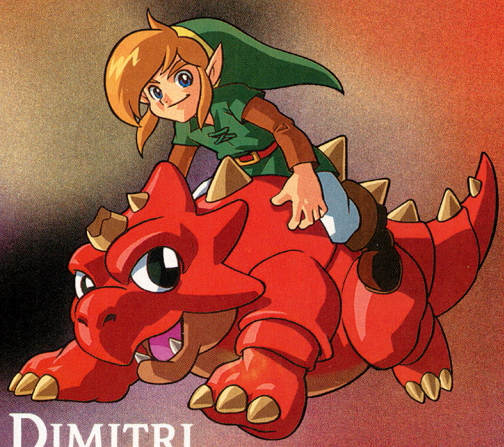
Mr. Okamoto: Yes. I would say it was more of an SOS signal.

Mr. Miyamoto: (Laughs) Not just a call for help.

Question: Did you have to start from the beginning after that?

Helpful Trio

Three new friends from Oracle of Seasons also join up with you in Oracle of Ages. As you explore the land, you will find Ricky, the kangaroo, Moosh, the winged bear, and Dmitri, the Dodongo, each in need of your assistance. When you give them a hand, they will return the favor by helping you in difficult situations. Each character has a strong attack and can clear a particular obstacle that you cannot clear on your own.

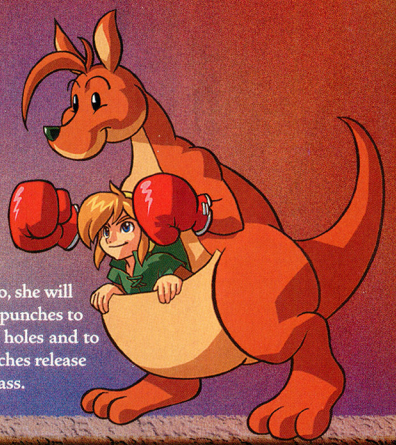


Moosh

Moosh, a blue polar bear with wings, has a powered-up attack that shakes the ground and damages all of the enemies in the area. You can ride on Moosh's back as the bear flies over gaps that are too wide for Ricky to jump. The only obstacle that stops Moosh is deep water.

Dimitri

If you want to cross water, you'll need Dodongo Dimitri on your side. When you climb on his back, he can take you upstream, through waterfalls and over deep water. The only thing that rivals his passion for swimming is his appetite for enemies. He can devour many attackers in one gulp.



Ricky

When you befriend Ricky, the boxing kangaroo, she will give you a ride in her pouch and use powerful punches to take on your enemies. She can carry you over holes and to the top of short cliffs. Ricky's powered-up punches release tornadoes that will clear a path through tall grass.

Mr. Okamoto: No. The basic programming was done. We were able to proceed in the right direction from there. At that point, I asked Mr. Yamashita to join the project and I started to use Mr. Miyamoto's name when talking to the development staff. Everyone worked harder if I said "because Mr. Miyamoto said so!" (Laughs)

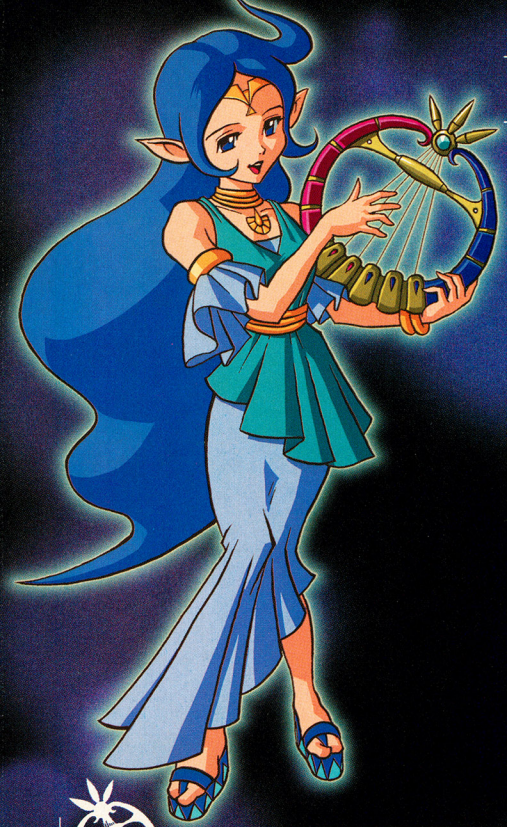
Mr. Miyamoto: Even if it wasn't that important?

Mr. Okamoto: It didn't matter how important it was. When I said "Mr. Miyamoto said so," they said, "Yes, yes. We'll do it!" My people really threw themselves into their work when I said the name "Miyamoto."

Question: So, that was effective?

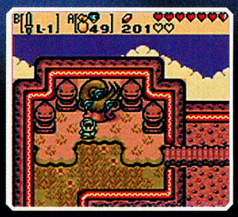
Mr. Okamoto: Yes. It was very effective. They don't care when they hear "because Mr. Okamoto said so."

Mr. Miyamoto: That's because Mr. Okamoto is always overseas. (Laughs)



Natural Power

In both Oracle of Seasons and Oracle of Ages, you will find five types of Mystical Seeds that can help you fight enemies and explore the game world. Ember Seeds contain the essence of fire at their core. By tossing an Ember Seed, you can light a torch or fight off an enemy with a ball of flame. Gale Seeds allow you to travel quickly to any of several locations, wherever Mystical Trees grow. When you use a Pegasus Seed, you will have the ability to run very fast for a short time. You can use the pungent power of a Scent Seed both to attract and to attack certain enemies. Mystery Seeds have unpredictable powers. You won't know what they do until you use them.



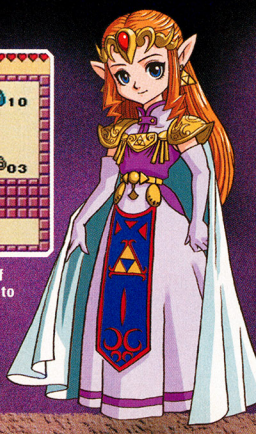
You can use a Gale Seed to warp to any Mystical Tree.

Ember Seeds can be used to light torches and burn obstacles.

Metal Magic

Among the magical items of Holodrum (the setting for Oracle of Seasons) and Labrynna are dozens of rings. Each ring will grant you a different type of power. One ring increases the power of your sword. Another ring slowly regenerates your health. A collection of rings allows you to disguise Link as different enemies, such as Octoroks and Moblins. When you find a ring, you must take it to a jeweler before you can realize its power.

Rings give you a variety of powers. You can carry up to five rings at once.



Mr. Okamoto: Yes. That's true.

Mr. Miyamoto: I think I understand their enthusiasm. They played Mario and Zelda games when they were growing up, and now they are in the position to develop those games. This is very special for them. I really appreciate their efforts.

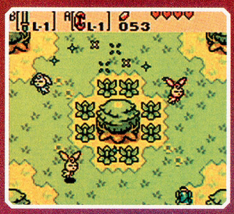
Mr. Okamoto: But I didn't expect so much enthusiasm.

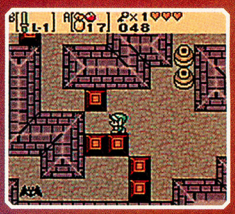
Mr. Miyamoto: They don't want to be embarrassed [by poor products].

Mr. Okamoto: Mr. Miyamoto can always see the big picture. There were some issues that we could not see clearly from the beginning. After we started to produce a three-title concept, where players would reach the same goals no matter in which order they chose to play the games, it was difficult for us to see all of the problems in making three linking games. When Mr. Miyamoto said, "Wouldn't it be simpler to create two titles, instead of three?" we said, "Yes, of course!" He really saved us. Then, we moved in the direction of the two-title concept. To be honest, I think that it would've been impossible to develop three titles like that.

Oracles Connect

In last issue's preview of Oracle of Seasons, we reported that Oracle of Seasons and Oracle of Ages would have a special linking feature. When you complete one of the games, you will earn a password that you can enter into the other game. The password allows you to start the second game with four hearts, instead of three, and it causes some characters in the second game to talk about events from the first game. We have also learned that you will earn passwords in the second game that you play. Enter those passwords into the first game to earn items, such as rings, that you might not have been able to collect when you played the game for the first time.





Prepare to Play!

Whether you start by playing Oracle of Seasons or Oracle of Ages, you are in for a rewarding journey with two all-new Legend of Zelda adventures. You can play them as stand-alone games or as connected quests, each telling one half of a long story. Both games feature solid game play, intriguing characters, rewarding battle and the ability to control a powerful natural force (the passing of seasons or the passing of time). Your adventure awaits!

Even now (with two titles releasing simultaneously) we are working very hard to prevent program bugs.

Mr. Miyamoto: When the concept is to develop two games that link together, it is easier if both titles work under the same basic program. But for this project, we had to link two completely separate programs. One reason for launching both titles at the same time is that it's more fun [for players]. Another reason is that we can test them together. If we released the titles separately, it would be more difficult to match the second game to the first game.

Question: Did you ever consider combining both games into one big adventure if memory size allowed?

Mr. Okamoto: We wanted to go in a different direction from the big serious story games like Final Fantasy. This is an action-oriented RPG. It's a "lighter" style, kind of like a weekly TV drama (as opposed to an epic film). We knew that we could use the same basic style as the existing Zelda games and make two really fun games. We also liked the possibility of having multiple endings and the replay value that you get from two linking games. I knew that we could project a fun, entertaining style with multiple titles.

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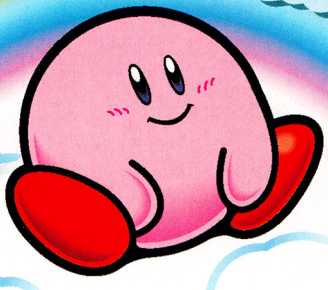

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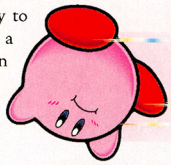
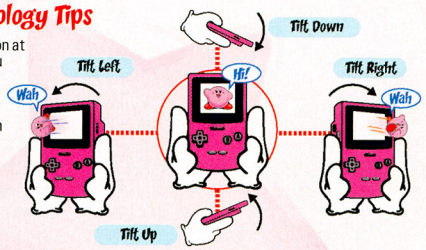
Teetering on the Pink

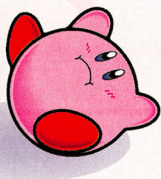
Kirby is gaining momentum in a new Game Boy Color title from HAL Laboratory and Nintendo. The heroic pink puffball must tumble through troublesome territory to recover stolen stars scattered across the sky by the nefarious King Dedede. There's a added twist to the tale, however. The innovative game requires you to tilt and turn your GBC to make Kirby move.



Tilt Response Technology Tips

After you set a neutral position at the beginning of the game, you can move Kirby around as if he were a ball bearing on top of the screen. You can also pop Kirby into the air with a flipping motion. Don't move the GBC too much, though, or you won't see the screen.





Stage 1: Big Sky Country

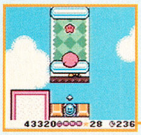
Once you get the hang of the control scheme, you should have an easy time with the first level. Concentrate on collecting stars and star pieces. Star pieces are easier to find, but you'll need a bunch of them to receive a reward. Read the tips below for each map from the bottom to the top.

LEVEL 1-1

Red Star

Grab the Red Star in the upper right-hand corner of the goal area before you finish the level by jumping on the goal. Your percentage score in the game reflects the number of Red Stars you've collected.

Try jumping to the center of the goal for more points. The closer you get to the center of the target, the greater the point total. A bull's-eye will earn you a 1-Up.

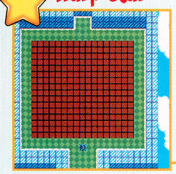


Bound between the bumpers on the narrow walkway to earn a 1-Up. Be careful not to tilt to the left or the right in the process—or you'll go over the edge.

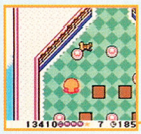
Blue Star

Smash through the cracked blocks beyond the first gate to find a Blue Star. When you complete the level, you'll be able to play one of the bonus games.

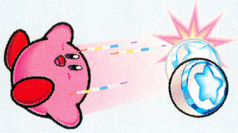
Warp Star

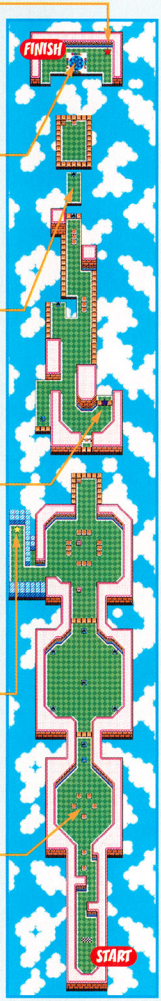


Tilt the game to make a sliding door open, then grab the Warp Star for a journey to a bonus area. Jump on the ? Hole to make Yellow Star Pieces appear, then quickly collect them.



A bevy of bumpers can help you stock up on extra lives, known as 1-Ups. Hit the bumpers several times to become invincible, then destroy them to collect 1-Ups.





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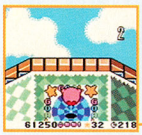
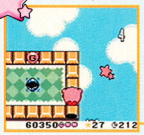


You should have a little time left on your last balloon as you reach the finish. Line yourself up with the center of the goal to earn a 1-Up or some extra points.

There are many items to collect at the end of the course, but you'll run out of time if you try to collect everything. Shoot as many Bronto Burts as possible.

Red Star

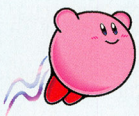


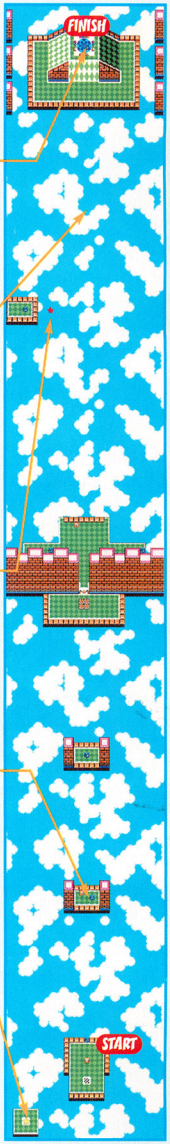
Fire two Air Blasts at the first UFO you encounter, then grab the balloon to extend your flight time. You'll be able to pick up the Red Star near a platform to the right.

You can make short balloon flights from platform to platform on the lower part of the course. If you use the Warp Star, you'll bypass the area and proceed to the gate.

Warp Star

Float down to the Warp Star platform on the lower left-hand side of the course. Jump to the left-hand side of the platform each time the hand grabs you for more Star Pieces and 1-Ups.





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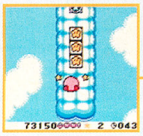
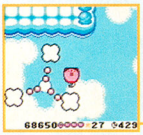
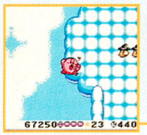


The last platform before the goal is extremely narrow, so make sure you tilt the GBC straight and slightly forward. Lean into the last jump to the goal to get extra points.

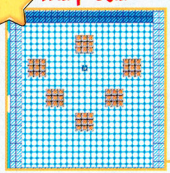


You can leap between clouds on the rotating platforms to grab the Red Star Pieces floating in the air. Remember that you can control the speed of rotation by tilting the GBC.



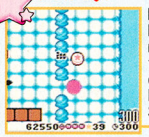
A Microphone just beyond the gate will allow you to destroy enemies for double the points you would receive for flipping near them. Be careful not to roll over the edge.

Warp Star



The Warp Star will take you to a platform filled with enemies and clusters of items. You can grab the Invincibility Candy then collect Star Pieces or stopwatches with impunity.

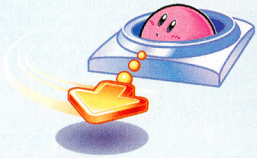
Red Star



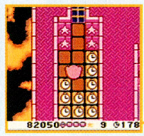
Rip through the three Jump Pads as fast as you can to make yourself invincible, then destroy the bumpers on the next platform to collect a Red Star and a Warp Star.

LEVEL 1-4

You can leap over walls in the grid near the end of the course by using Jump Holes located in each square of the grid. Remember that you can't control the direction of your jumps from the round Jump Holes.



The Blockbot in the center is standing on top of a ? Hole that contains a Microphone. The Blockbot in the upper right-hand corner is hiding a key to the locked gate.

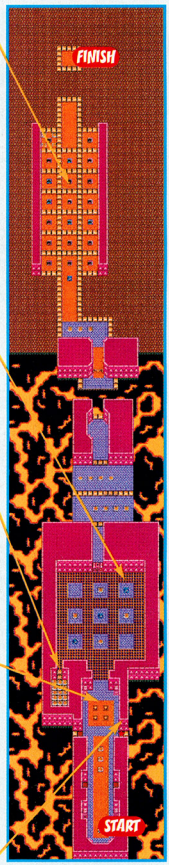


It's easy to miss a cache of items in the lower right-hand corner of the screen if you aren't careful. Flip to decide which item you want, then stock up before moving on.

Two Blockbots will block the path until you roll over four switches on the floor. Be sure to roll over all four before any of them pop back up.

Red Star

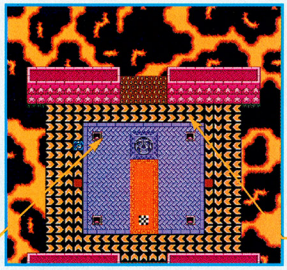
Jostle the Blockbot on the right-hand side out of its hole then pick up the hidden Red Star it leaves behind. Bumping it won't hurt your health.



Orbliterate the Boss

When you reach the finish line of the fourth course, you'll be warped automatically to the boss area. The Orbservor will then pursue you around the enclosed area.

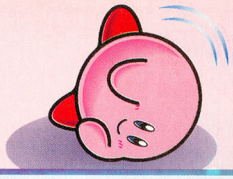
Use the square Jump Holes in the four corners of the boss area to launch yourself at the Orbservor as it approaches. You'll need to score three hits to defeat the spinning Cyclops.



After a successful hit, the Orbservor will spin violently around the area. Use the Blast Boards to stay out of its way.

Stage 2: Tilt 'n' Tunnel

The second level adds several new challenges to the mix, like underground tunnels and sliding Jump Pads. You'll also find the enemies to be much more aggressive and stubborn than their mild-mannered counterparts on the first four courses.



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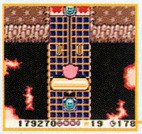
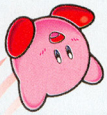
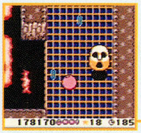


You'll need precision timing to collect two moving Red Star Pieces while avoiding a moving bumper. A bad jump may send you over the edge.





Jump in the ? Hole to reveal Blue Star Pieces along a treacherous corridor. The hopping enemies will jostle you off the edge if you aren't careful.

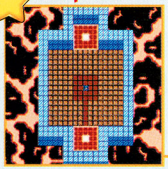
Blue Star

Three quick jumps will render you invincible so you can destroy the diagonal bumper. Collect the Blue Star underneath it to play a bonus game.

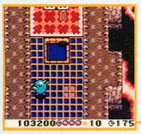
Red Star

Flip to turn the long bumper red, then bounce on top of it to become invincible. You'll destroy the bumper once you turn invincible, revealing a Red Star.

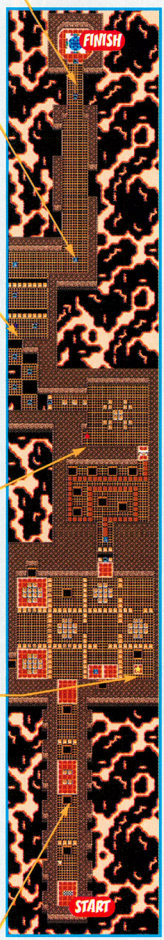
Warp Star



Roll into a hole in the mesh to reach the Warp Star in the lower right-hand corner. After you've warped, grab the Invincibility Candy then smash through blocks for items.



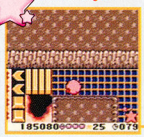
Avoid the patrolling Blinkbats by rolling into holes in the mesh flooring. Don't try to attack them unless you're invincible or you have a power-up.



LEVEL 2-2

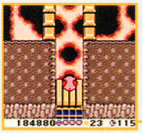
The ? Hole at the end of the course will activate a field of Yellow Star Pieces. Collect as many as you can before time runs out then jump into the goal.

Red Star



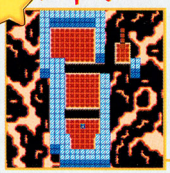
A Jump Pad with a rotating directional arrow can propel you to a nearby lift, but you need perfect timing to make the jump. Your reward is a Red Star.

A roll of the die—accomplished by flipping in front of it—will decide whether you go left or right. You'll want to go left—that's where the Red Star is located.



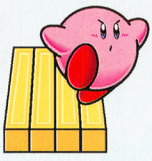
A lift will disappear then materialize in a gap between platforms. Make sure you board the lift after it materializes, or you'll fall from the clouds.

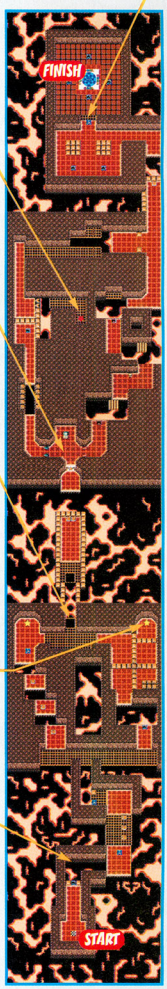
Warp Star



There are two Warp Stars to the same area, depending on the direction you go. Hop on the second lift in the warp area then ride to the right for two 1-Ups.

The many moving lifts on the level require delicate tilting and patience. Tilt toward a solid wall if you're having trouble staying on the platforms.





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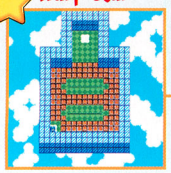
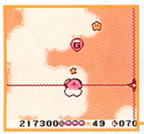
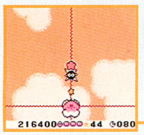
Warp Star



The Warp Star platform is directly above the upper-left corner of the cloud grid. After you reach the warp area, proceed to the lower-left corner of the platform to grab the Invincibility Candy, then roll through the blocks.

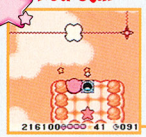


Jump right at the second junction then move up the right side of the grid. Jump left at the next junction then hop on the balloon to fly to the Warp Star.



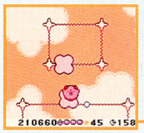
Head up the center path until you reach a spiked enemy then jump over it just before it reaches you. Repeat the process if you encounter other enemies.

Red Star



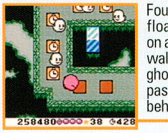
Ride your cloud to the first junction on the grid then jump to the right. Line up the cloud with the platform beneath it then jump down to the Red Star.

Jump up to get past the bumper in your way, then continue until you reach the end of the cloud's circuit. Tilt slightly to the left, then jump to reach the platform.

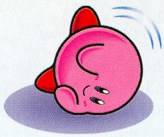


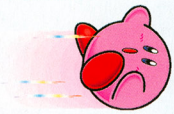
The clouds on the course move along preset circuits, making it tricky to jump between them. You can control their speed by tilting the GBC.

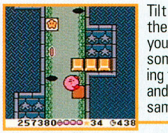
LEVEL 2-4



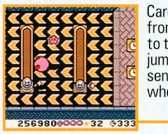
Four ghosts will slowly float in a circular pattern on and around a narrow walkway. Wait for the last ghost in the procession to pass, then jump in line behind them.





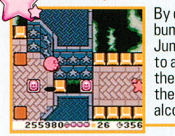


Tilt left and right to move the sliding gates out of your way. It will take some delicate maneuvering to keep them open and roll past them at the same time.

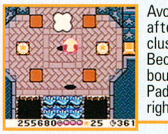


Carefully time your jumps from one sliding Jump Pad to the next. If you miss a jump, the Blast Boards will send you tumbling back to where you started.

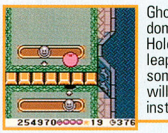
Red Star



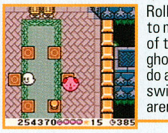
By destroying the right bumper, you'll expose a Jump Pad. Use it to jump to a second Jump Pad to the right then proceed to the Red Star in a small alcove.



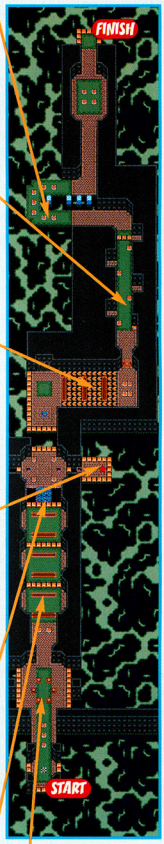
Avoid landing on the cloud after you blast off the cluster of Boost Pads. Become invincible by bouncing off the Bounce Pads then destroy the right bumper.

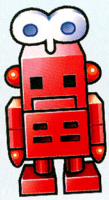


Ghosts will appear randomly in the sliding Jump Holes, so look before you leap. Keep in mind that some of the Jump Holes will send you backward instead of forward.



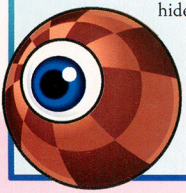
Roll over six floor switches to move the Blockbots out of the way. Wait until the ghost is out of the way then do a quick circular roll. The switches pop back up if you aren't fast enough.



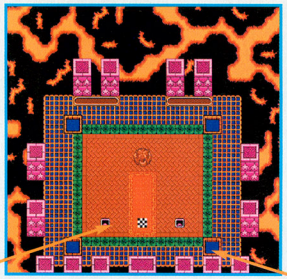


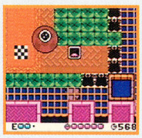
Pounding Headache

Your second boss battle will be complicated by collapsing floor panels and a dangerous ledge. A tunnel under the floor will give you a safe place to hide when the Orbservor starts pounding the ground.



Use the same technique that you used in the first boss battle: Wait in a Jump Pad until the Orbservor approaches then jump on its eye. After you score a hit, the boss will start pounding the platform, creating more collapsing floor panels.





The tunnel under the mesh floor is the best place to be when the Orbservor starts pounding on the floor. Pop back out when it's vulnerable to attack.

Blue Star Bonus Game Bonanza

If you manage to pick up a Blue Star, you'll earn a trip to the Bonus Star after you finish the course. You can play any of five minigames, but you'll get to play only one game per trip—so make the most of it.

If you find a Blue Star during regular play, the Bonus Star menu will appear after you finish the course. Success will earn you 1-Ups!

Kirby's Burst-a-Balloon

Tilt your GBC to position crosshairs over balloons as they float up. You'll have a limited number of arrows to fire, but you can shake the GBC to reload. Get combo points by hitting all the balloons as they appear.

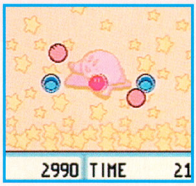
Kirby's Hurdle Race

Kirby's Hurdle Race is a button-masher that requires you to hit the A Button repeatedly and flip the GBC to jump the hurdles. It's difficult, like chewing gum while thinking.

Do the Kirby

Watch Kirby's dance moves then reproduce the sequence using the Control Pad. If you make two mistakes, the game will end. Try writing down the moves.

Kirby's Roll-a-Rama



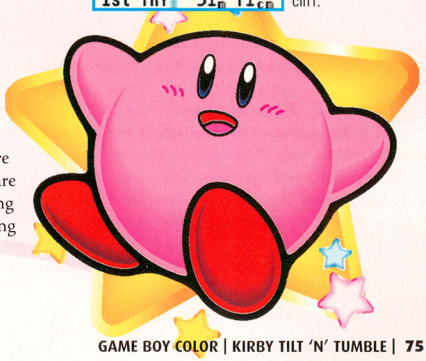
You'll need to roll two separate Kirbys into indentations on the screen. It's much more difficult than it sounds. Tilt the GBC very gently to coax the Kirbys into the holes.

Kirby's Chicken Race

Play a game of chicken with a chicken. Hold down the indicated buttons then shake the GBC to rev your engine. Don't shake too hard, though, or you'll go over the cliff.

Full-Tilt to the Finish

You'll have barely built up a head of steam by the end of the second level—there are many more exciting courses in front of our free-wheeling friend. There are many more dangers ahead, too, like slippery ice, deep water and cannon-firing enemies. With a little luck and a lot of balance, you'll be able to steamroll King Dedede and put him out of the star-stealing business once and for all.



Pokécenter

Pokéchat

Pokéchat is on the first page of the Pokécenter this month so that we can bring you the *Pokémon the Movie 3* preview. We didn't want to miss an opportunity to answer your Pokémon questions!

Q: Why did the Pokémon Comic disappear then reappear?

A: With Gold and Silver on everyone's mind, it just seemed time to move up to the Johto Journeys. But all good things must come to an end, and this issue features the last issue of the Pokémon Comic in Nintendo Power.

Q: How do I get False Swipe? It sounds very powerful!

A: False Swipe is a powerful tool for catching Pokémon, but its base attack power is only 40. It always leaves a Pokémon with 1 HP, but that doesn't mean it will automatically take it down to 1 HP. It slowly chips away at a Pokémon's HP but always leaves it with (at least) 1 HP so you can catch it. Spearow, Paras, Scyther, Scizor, Farfetch'd, Cubone and Marowak can all learn the move, either by leveling up or as an Egg Move. There is no TM for False Swipe.

Q: Why are there spots for Mew and Mewtwo in Gold and Silver's Pokédex if you can't catch them in Gold or Silver?

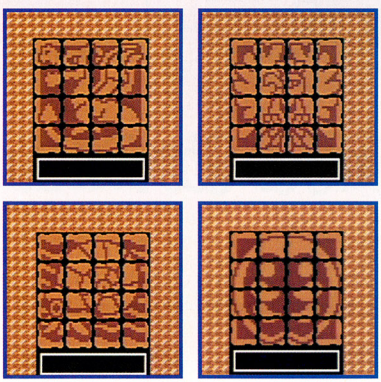
A: There are spots for all Pokémon in Gold and Silver's Pokédex, even though you can't catch every Pokémon in either game. You can have all the Pokémon in Gold and Silver, however, by trading between the games and Red, Blue and Yellow, and by getting hidden Pokémon such as Mew from Nintendo.

Q: Can any Pokémon use the Light Ball?

A: Any Pokémon can hold the Light Ball, but only Pikachu can use it. It doubles the power of Pikachu's Special Attacks. The Pikachu Professor Oak gives you in Pokémon Yellow is holding a Light Ball. Trade the Pikachu to your Gold or Silver game to get it.

Q: Can you show the solutions to the puzzles in the Ruins of Alph? I just can't figure them out!

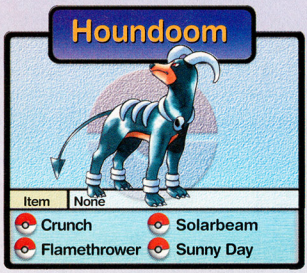
A: Sure. Pretty tricky, huh?

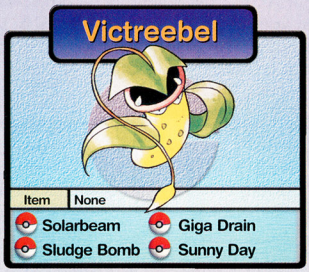


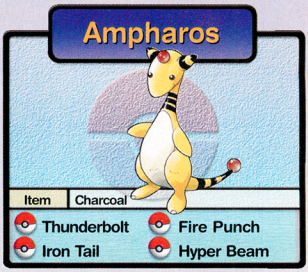
Colosseum

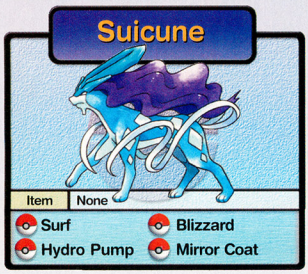
The Colosseum is the place where Pokémon Trainers gather to show off their Pokémon teams. It's also a place to learn more about training and battling Pokémon teams.

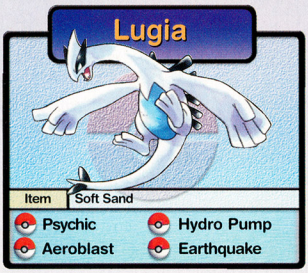
Anne May Perez sent in an admittedly offense-heavy team to the Pokécenter and she was worried that it wouldn't be good enough to make it into the Colosseum, but that's not really an issue. We're looking for teams that will allow us to explain something about team building, battle strategy, move combos, items, battle styles, Pokémon types and other Pokémon essentials—we're not looking for perfection. Any team that works for you is good enough!

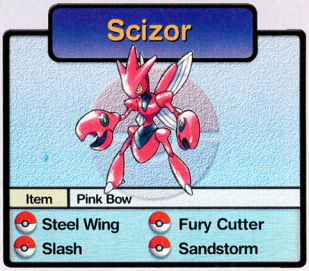




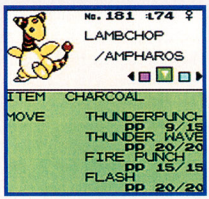




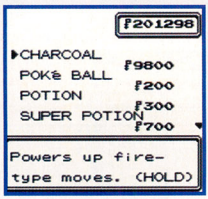




Last month's Pokémon Trainer liked using Rain Dance to make his water attacks stronger and Thunder much more accurate. Similarly, Anne May likes using Sunny Day to brighten up Solarbeam by making it usable every single turn without charging up. Sunny Day also multiplies the power of Fire-type attacks by 1.5, prevents freezing, halves the power of water attacks, reduces Thunder's accuracy to 50%, and doubles the healing power of Moonlight, Synthesis and Morning Sun. That's a lot! Anne May is using Sunny Day to power up Solarbeam and Flamethrower. If she wishes, she can breed a new Bellsprout to have Synthesis in addition to Sunny Day and Solarbeam, then she can raise it into a Victreebel. Since Giga Drain is the same sort of Grass-type offensive move as Solarbeam (though it does restore a little of Victreebel's HP as it does damage), she could trade it for Synthesis, which could restore HP twice as fast with Sunny Day. We're sure Anne May doesn't send Suicune in while the sun is still shining brightly, because some of its attacks will be diminished by the sunny weather.

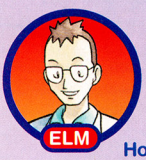


The item your Pokémon is holding doesn't have to match the Pokémon's type. Items like Charcoal will multiply the power of a specific type of move, in this case Fire-type, by 1.1, giving those types of moves a small boost. Ampharos will already do very well with Fire Punch, and Charcoal gives it extra . . . punch.



Help the Charcoal Maker's apprentice round up his Farfetch'd in Ilex Forest, then go back to the Charcoal Maker's house in Azalea Town to pick up Charcoal. You can also buy Charcoal in Azalea Town's Poké Mart if you'd like more than one and don't want to restart your Gold or Silver game.

Pokémon University



Welcome to Pokémon University! Professor Elm and Professor Oak are two of the most respected Pokémon authorities in the Pokémon World, and they're teaming up to answer all of your Pokémon questions.

How do I catch Pichu in Puzzle Challenge?

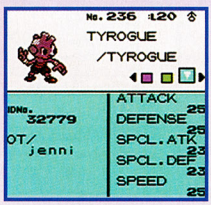
The formula for catching Pichu is simple, but actually doing it is pretty tough. Start a game on Normal difficulty or higher, then have a match that lasts longer than four minutes before you battle Clair in Blackthorn City. You'll be challenged by a Trainer named Pokéfan. If you beat her, she'll give you her Pichu. To accomplish the feat, you'll need to keep yourself from causing too much damage to the other player. If you clear the blocks in groups of three, you'll keep your board clear but you won't hurt your opponent. As the board moves faster, it gets harder.

Keep the game going for more than four minutes. It's tough!

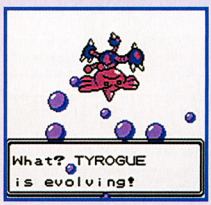
Pichu is very happy when it wins a match.

How do I raise a Hitmontop?

The first step toward a Hitmontop is getting a Tyrogue. You can get one from the Karate King training in Mt. Mortar, or you can breed one with Hitmonchan or Hitmonlee and Ditto. Next, you must carefully raise the Tyrogue. When it hits level 19, check its stats. If Attack and Defense are the same, it will evolve into a Hitmontop when it reaches level 20. If its Attack is higher it will become Hitmonlee, and if its Defense is higher it will be a Hitmonchan. To ensure your Tyrogue becomes Hitmontop, feed it Iron to raise its Defense, or Protein to raise its Attack. You might have to stop its evolution with B a few times until you've evened up Tyrogue's stats.



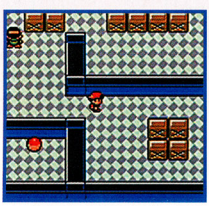
Tyrogue's Attack and Defense stats are the same.



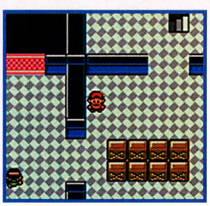
When it reaches level 20, it evolves into Hitmontop.

How do I get the items in the basement?

The first time you visit Goldenrod City's Department Store, you'll be able to reach only a small part of the basement because of the boxes blocking your way. If you walk around the small area, you'll see lots of items lying around just out of reach. After you've saved the Radio Station Manager from Goldenrod's Underground, you can climb up stairs that lead you to a different part of the basement. You'll pick up an item or two as you do, but there may still be items left. The secret is to return to the basement several times on different days. Eventually, the workers will move the boxes blocking your way, and you'll be able to pick up the items.



With patience, you'll reach every area in the basement.



You'll come up the stairs after you rescue the Station Manager.

Can I control what I get through Mystery Gift?

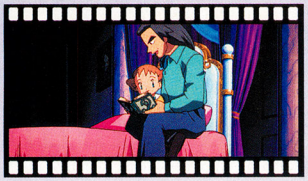
Yes, if you're gifting with your Pokémon Pikachu 2 GS. Otherwise, it's out of your hands. When you Mystery Gift with your Pokémon Pikachu 2 GS, the item you get depends on the number of Watts you send. If you send 1 to 99 Watts, you'll get Mail. For 100-199 Watts, you'll get a Berry. For 200-299 Watts, it's a Bitter Berry. If you want a Great Ball, send 300-399 Watts. For a Max Repel, try 400-499 Watts. Send 500-599 Watts for Ether. A Miracle Berry is your gift for 600-699 Watts. A Gold Berry is the prize for 700-799 Watts. You'll snag an Elixir for sending 800-899 Watts, and a Revive for 900-998 Watts. Finally, for 999 Watts, you'll get Rare Candy.

Rare Candy takes a lot of Watts, but it's worth it!

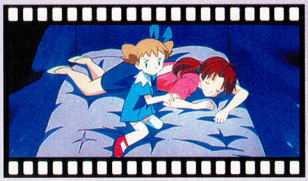
Mystery Gift with your Pokémon Gold or Silver for prizes!

Pokémon 3 The Movie

Pokémon the Movie 3 hits theaters April 6, and the Pokécenter is celebrating with four picture-packed pages of Pokémon movie goodness! *Pokémon the Movie 3* is really two movies in one—a short feature starring Pikachu and Pichu, plus a thrilling adventure starring Ash, Pikachu, Entei, Unown, Ash's Mom and a little girl named Molly. Molly's imagination and the Unown create many amazing things.

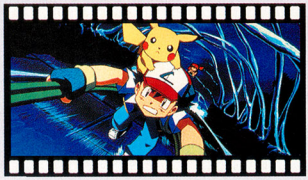


Molly and her father read about Pokémon like Entei and Unown. Molly's father is often away from home, which makes her very sad and lonely.

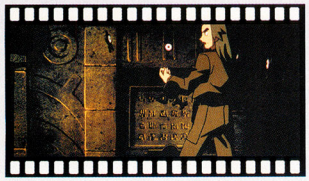


Molly asks Entei to bring her a mother to complete their family. Entei kidnaps Ash's mom, Delia, so she can take care of Molly and make her happy.

Molly likes the legendary Pokémon, Entei. Her father pretends to be the rare creature to make the five-year-old Molly laugh.

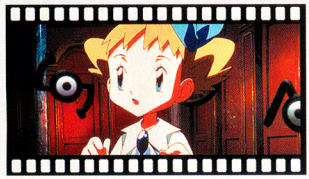


Ash, Pikachu, Misty and Brock decide to sneak in to the crystal-covered estate that Molly's imagination has created to rescue Ash's Mom.

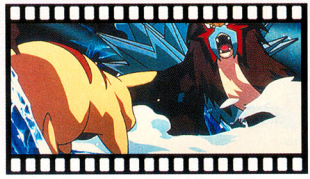


Molly's dad is an archaeologist searching for Unown. When he finally finds them, something strange happens and he disappears.

Ash and Totodile break through the strange crystal shell that is covering the area surrounding Molly's house to find Ash's Mom.



While playing with the tiles her father was looking at when he disappeared, Molly awakens the Unown. The Unown create Entei from Molly's imagination.



Ash battles Entei, hoping to free his mother. Pikachu can't stand up to the nearly invincible Pokémon created by the Unown and Molly.

Making Their Silver Screen Debut!

One of the coolest parts of *Pokémon the Movie 3* is that a lot of new Pokémon are making their debuts in animated form. If you've always wanted to see the Pokémon in action, you've gotta catch 'em on the big screen in April!

Kingdra

Phanpy

Smeargle

Poké Stars

Flaaffy

Noctowl

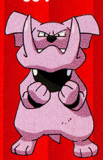
Chinchou

Pichu

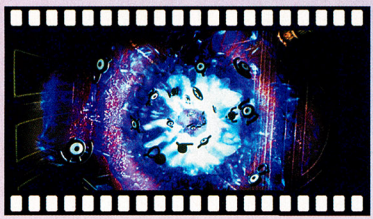
Cleffa

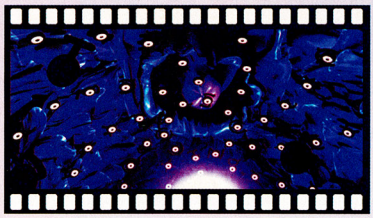
Murkrow

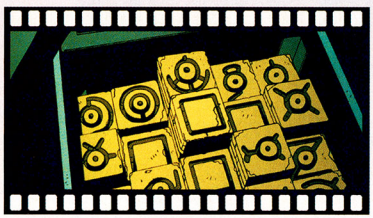
Igglybuff

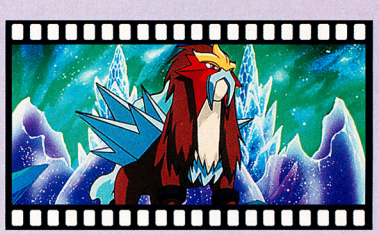

Granbull

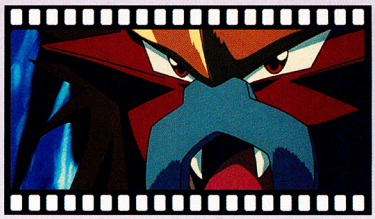
While many Pokémon are featured in *Pokémon the Movie 3*, Unown and Entei play very big roles. While it's not really explained, it seems that the Unown use their psychic abilities to turn people's thoughts and emotions into reality. The Unown feel Molly's loneliness and create Entei to keep her company. Molly's a very young girl, and she thinks that her father has somehow become Entei and come back to keep her company. Molly wishes she were living in the happy, magical land of the book she and her father were reading, so the Unown create a crystalline fairlyland for Molly and Entei to inhabit.

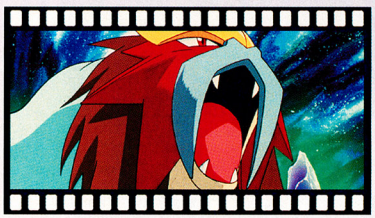

The Unown have great stores of hidden power which they use to turn Molly's strong, confused emotions and storybook fantasies into reality.


The Unown sing a haunting melody as they use their power to make Molly's dreams a reality. They start by turning Molly's beautiful mansion into a crystal palace.


Somehow, the Unown are summoned by touching the tiles etched with their symbols. Or are the symbols the Unown? Perhaps Molly's papa would know the answer ...

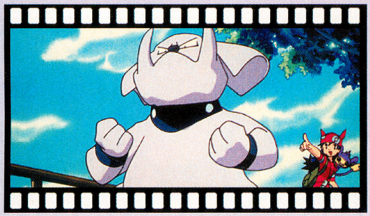

The Unown sense Molly's sadness , so they bring Entei to life. Molly mistakes the Pokémon for her father, remembering that he pretended to be Entei when they played together.


The legendary Entei uses its great power to keep Molly safe and to make her happy. He steals Delia Ketchum away from Ash because Molly asks for a mama.

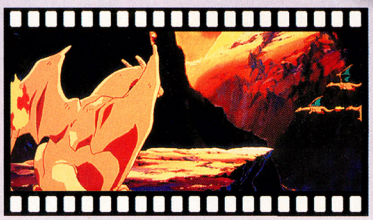

Entei is not bad, it just wants to protect Molly. While Entei might be just a figment of Molly's imagination, in the end, it proves to have a real heart.

Battle On!

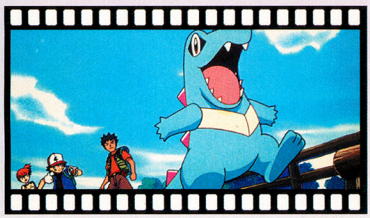
Some of the most exciting scenes in *Pokémon the Movie 3* come from the amazing Pokémon battles. There are several exciting bouts in the movie—Ash, Brock and Misty each have their turn dueling other Trainers and their tough Pokémon. Fan-fave Charizard even gets in on the action, taking plenty of heat battling Entei! Charizard sees that Ash is in trouble on a TV newscast, so it leaves Charical Island and flies to Ash's defense. Ash shows no fear and flies with Charizard while he's attacking Entei. It doesn't get much hotter than that!



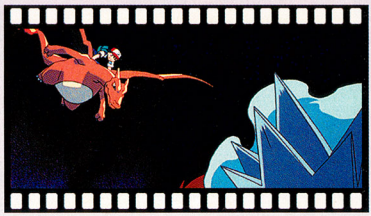
Lisa, a friendly Johto Pokémon Trainer, uses Granbull in a battle against Ash. You can see her Pokégear around her neck. Lisa lends her Pokégear to Ash later in the movie.



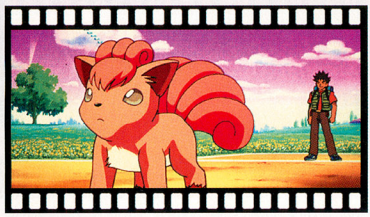
Ash and Charizard haven't always gotten along very well—it barely listened to Ash for the longest time. Ash kept working on his training skills until Charizard respected him.



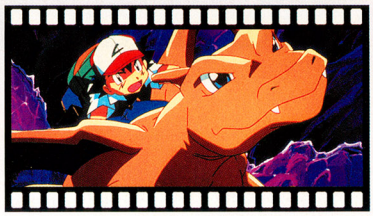
Ash's Totodile may be small, but it's got lots of spunk. Ash thinks he's a really great Trainer, but does he have what it takes to beat Lisa?



Charizard attacks Entei from the air. Entei can't fly, naturally, but it can move like lightning. Charizard is very, very strong, but Entei is legendary.



Brock's Vulpix tackles a match against a strangely grown-up version of Molly. Her Pokémon seem nearly invincible, but Brock is really great with Pokémon, right?



Charizard proves to be a great and loyal friend to Ash when it comes to Ash's side to help him save his mother. Ash rarely gets to sail through the air with his Pokémon.

Aipom

Girafarig

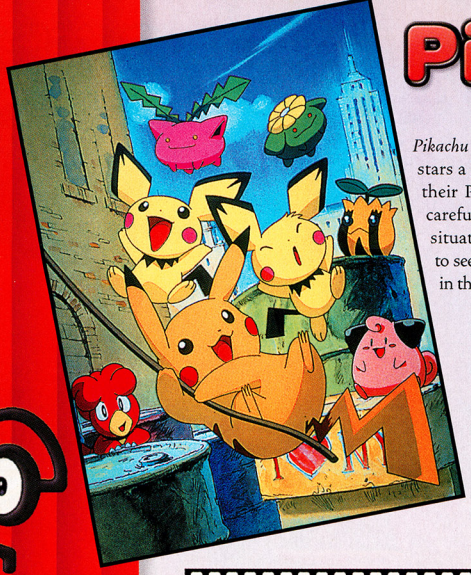
Shuckle

Teddiursa

Mantine

Houndour

Pichu Power



Pikachu and Pichu is the funny, Pokémon-centric short feature that stars a lot of new-to-animation Pokémon. Ash, Misty and Brock leave their Pokémon at a rooftop park in a big city, warning them to be careful and stay out of trouble. But Pikachu is always getting into silly situations, this time with the help of the Pichu brothers. If you'd like to see more of the animated action, be sure to catch *Pokémon the Movie 3* in theaters on April 6!

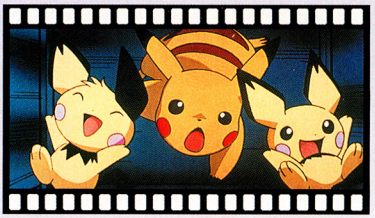
Unown

Hitmontop

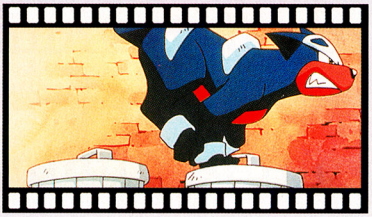
Smoochum

Magby

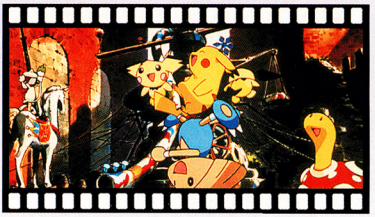
Entei



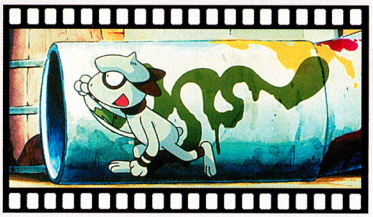
The Pichu brothers get Pikachu to come along with them on a journey through the city to meet their friends. Ahh, to be young…



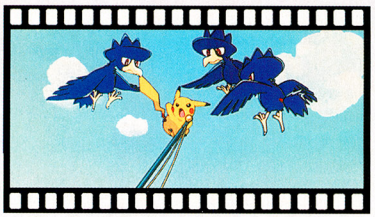
What is it with the Dark-type Pokémon? Houndour takes a strong dislike to Pikachu and the Pichu brothers, and a chase ensues. What a meanie!



The Pichu brothers have plenty of inner-city Pokémon pals! We're not sure that the Pokémon are native to the city, but their Trainers probably are.



Smeargle loves to paint anything and everything. But how does it change the color of the paint, and doesn't its tail get awfully dirty?



Some menacing Murkrow make life hard for poor, precariously perched Pikachu. The mischief-making Dark-types are just as pesky as Houndour.

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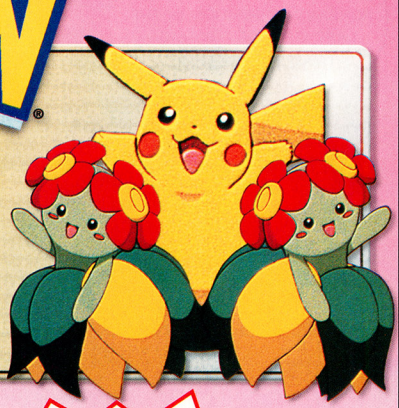
GOLD VERSION & SILVER VERSION



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FLOWER POWER

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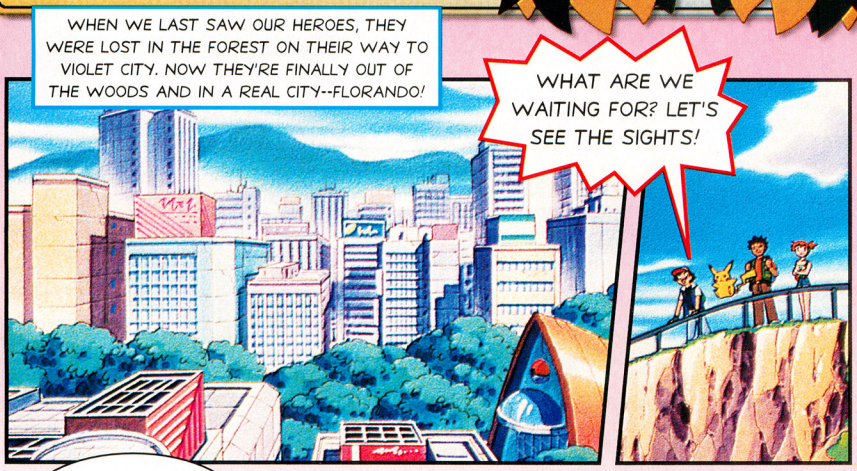
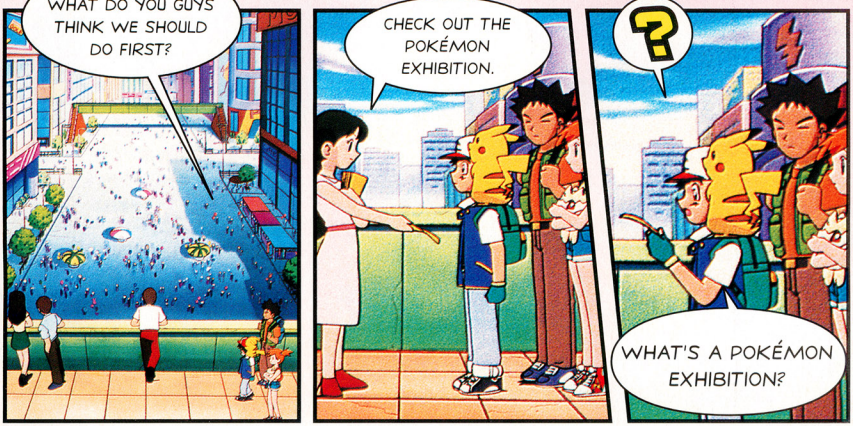
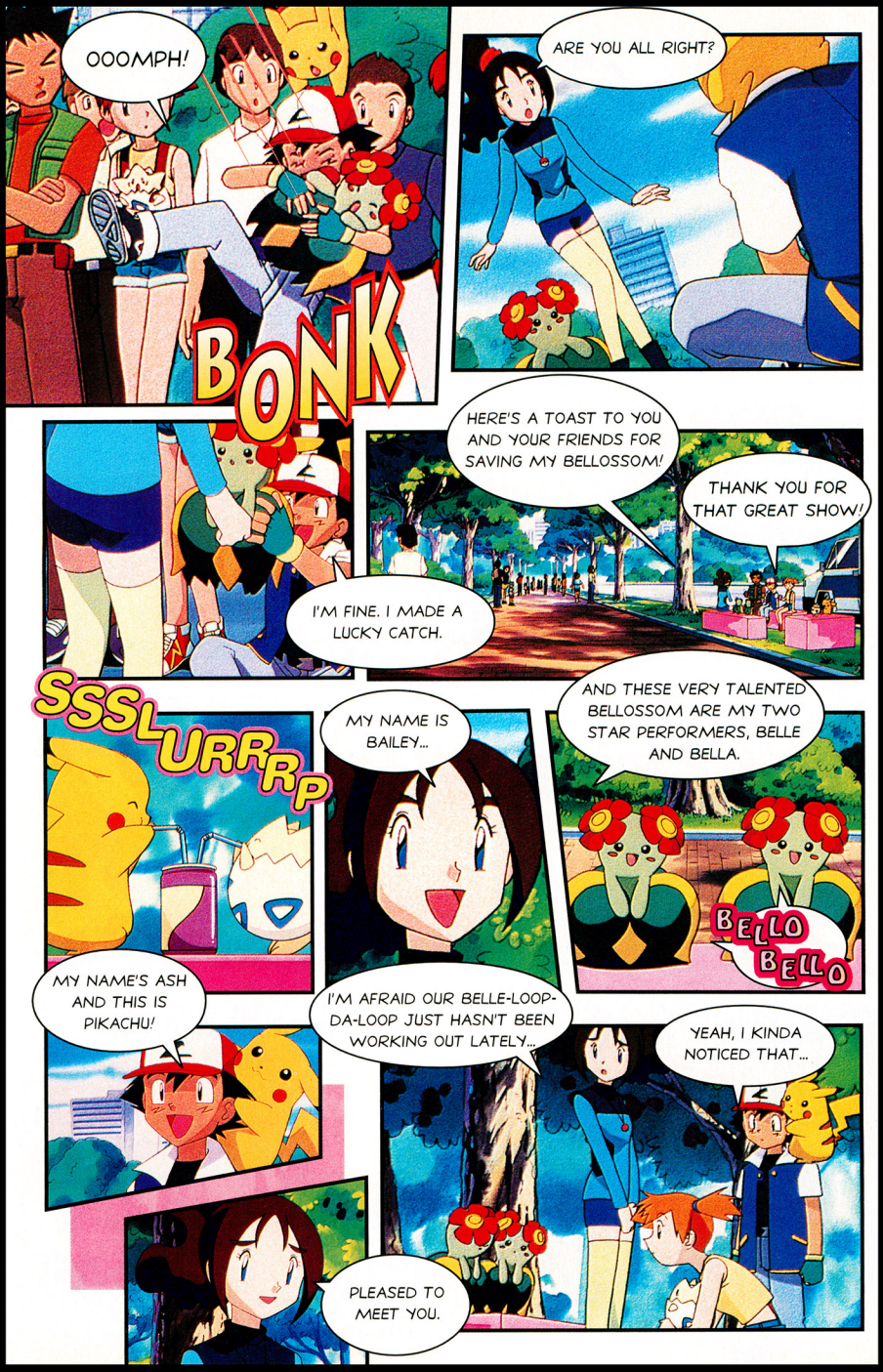




WE READ ABOUT THE POKÉMON EXHIBITION IN THE LAST ISSUE OF POKÉMON TRAINER MONTHLY...
C'MON! LET'S SEE SOME REAL ENTERTAINMENT!
BOING
BOING
IT'S A GIANT, OUT-DOOR POKÉMON ENTERTAINMENT FESTIVAL!
ZOOM
ZOOM
HEY... WHAT ARE THEY?
BELLOSSOM: THE FLOWER POKÉMON. THEIR DELICATE PETALS RUB TOGETHER CREATING A PLEASANT SOUND.
THEY ARE ALSO KNOWN FOR THEIR UNIQUE ACROBATIC DANCING ABILITIES.
BOOP
BOOP

CLAP!
CLAP!
BELLO
WHOOSH
WHOOSH
THEY'RE JUST LIKE GYMNASTS!
NOW LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, OUR GRAVITY-DEFYING GRAND FINALE!
GO!!
TWEEP
BELLO
MMF
SPROING
BELLO
BELLE-LOOP-DA-LOOP!
SHWEEE
OOMP
BELLO
SHWEEE
OHHH!


OOOMPH!
BONK
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
I'M FINE. I MADE A LUCKY CATCH.
HERE'S A TOAST TO YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS FOR SAVING MY BELLOSSOM!
THANK YOU FOR THAT GREAT SHOW!
SSSLURRRP
MY NAME IS BAILEY...
AND THESE VERY TALENTED BELLOSSOM ARE MY TWO STAR PERFORMERS, BELLE AND BELLA.
BELLO BELLO
MY NAME'S ASH AND THIS IS PIKACHU!
I'M AFRAID OUR BELLE-LOOP-DA-LOOP JUST HASN'T BEEN WORKING OUT LATELY...
YEAH, I KINDA NOTICED THAT...
PLEASED TO MEET YOU.

FUN IS IN THE AIR, BUT IT'S STARTING TO SMELL LIKE TROUBLE...
WOULDN'T IT BE EXCITING IF JAMES AND I COULD DEMONSTRATE OUR TALENTS HERE?
SOUNDS LIKE IT'S RIGHT UP OUR ALLEY!
IT'D BE EXCITING IF EITHER OF YA HAD ANY TALENTS TO DEMONSTRATE!
THE FLAMENCO!
TAP
TAP
WE'RE GONNA GET RICH!
YES, AND YOU'RE GOING TO HELP US DO IT!
ME???
WHOOOSH
OUTTA THE WAY! ARTISTS COMING THROUGH!
WE'LL DO ALL THE DANCING...
AND YOU JUST BE YOURSELF!
I KNOW THOSE VOICES!

VRR ROOOOOM!!!
ASH, WHAT'S GOING ON?
TEAM ROCKET!
PREPARE FOR TROUBLE AND A DANCE!
TIKATIKA
I'M WEARING TIGHTS INSTEAD OF PANTS!
TIKATIKATIKA
TO UNITE ALL PEOPLES WITHIN OUR NATION!
TO PROTECT THE WORLD FROM DEVASTATION!
MEOWTH!
COME ON, PIKACHU! WE KNOW HOW TO GET RID OF THESE THREE!
WAIT, ASH!!
THIS PLACE IS RESERVED FOR THE PERFORMERS IN THE EXHIBITION, AND WE'LL BE THE ONES TO DEFEND IT!

WELL, IF IT'S A BATTLE YOU WANT...
THEN A BATTLE YOU SHALL HAVE!
BELLOSSOM
LET'S GIVE 'EM A PERFORMANCE!!!
BOING
BOING
VICTREEBEL, SWORDS DANCE ATTACK!
BOOP!
USE THE BACK STEP WE REHEARSED!
QUIT DANCIN' AROUND AND ATTACK, WILL YA?!?

BELLE, BELLA, DO THE JUMP TURN!
BONK
BONK
NOW USE SLEEP POWDER!
OHM MOOHMM
LET'S MAKE A GRAND EXIT...
WE'VE BEEN UPSTAGED!
MMMMM
WE'LL BE BACK...
FOR AN ENCORE!!!!
THANK YOU, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN! WE HOPE YOU ENJOYED THE SHOW!
CLAP! CLAP!
CLAP!
HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO SURVIVE?
UNGGGH!
THAT DIDN'T EXACTLY HELP OUR FINANCIAL SITUATION...

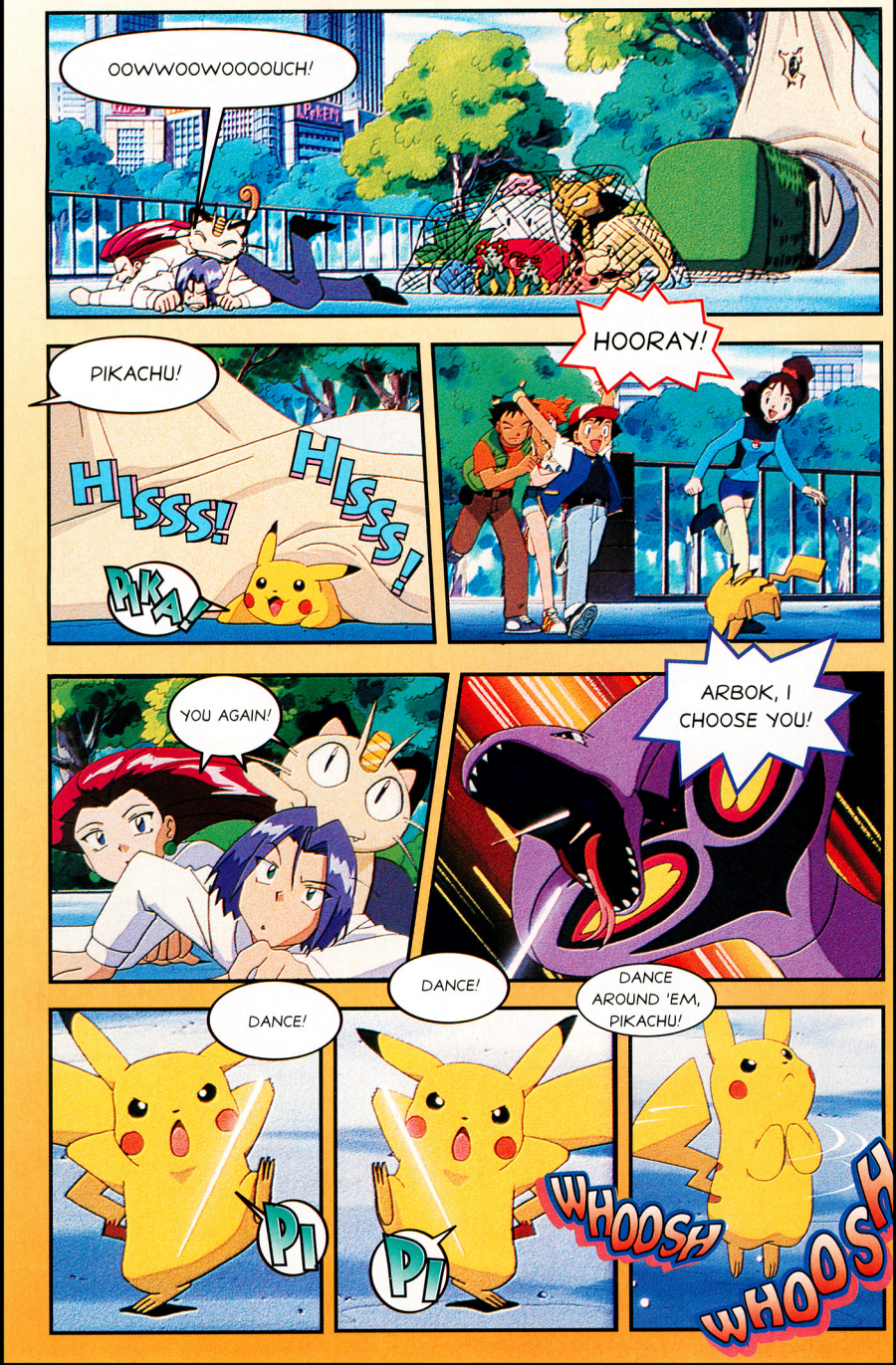
"COME AND ENJOY THE ANNUAL FLORANDO POKÉMON TALENT EXHIBITION."
SLAP
IT'S TOMORROW...
AND WE'LL GRAB EVERY POKÉMON AT THE EXHIBITION!
AND WHILE WE'RE AT IT, WE CAN GRAB A SLICE OF PIZZA!
DID YOU ALWAYS TRAIN YOUR POKÉMON TO DANCE INSTEAD OF BATTLE?
AT FIRST, WE PRACTICED DANCING AS A WAY OF CROSS-TRAINING FOR BATTLE.
WHEN I SAW HOW HAPPY BELLE AND BELLA WERE WHENEVER THEY DANCED TOGETHER...
THEY CONVINCED ME TO CONCENTRATE ON DANCING INSTEAD OF BATTLING.
DANCING AND BATTLING AREN'T SO DIFFERENT!
DANCE STEPS CAN BE JUST LIKE A FIGHTER'S FOOTWORK! COME TO OUR WORKOUT AND WE'LL SHOW YOU!
TRY TO STEP IN TIME WITH THE BEAT, PIKACHU...
CLAP!
CLAP!

THAT WAS GREAT, PIKACHU!
IF EVERYONE'S IN POSITION, LET'S PRACTICE THE BELLE-LOOP-DA-LOOP.
REMEMBER, BELLA, YOU NEED TO HAVE SPLIT-SECOND TIMING WHEN YOU GIVE BELLE THE BOOST!
BELLO!
GO!
TWEEP
BELLO
BELLO
THWIP!
OOMF!
PIKA!
BELLO!
WHOA!
PLOP!
DON'T FEEL BADLY, BELLE. I KNOW YOU DID YOUR BEST!!
WE CAN JUST LEAVE THE BELLE-LOOP-DA-LOOP OUT OF OUR ROUTINE FOR TOMORROW.

IT'S SHOW TIME!
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN...
YAY!
YAY!
YAY!
I CAN'T TELL YOU WHO'LL GO HOME THE GRAND PRIZE WINNER, BUT IT'LL BE A BIG SURPRISE!
MMPHRRPHT!
LET'S MEET OUR FIRST CONTESTANTS RIGHT HERE!
CLAP!
CLAP!
CLAP!
YOU CAN DO IT, BAILEY!
TAKE IT AWAY!!!
I MAY NOT KNOW THE FLAMENCO...
BUT I'M GREAT WHEN IT COMES TO CASTIN' NETS!
SWOOSH!

SWOOP
WHAAAA???
OH NOOO!!!!
MY BELLOSSOM!
TA-TA, TWERPS!
HA! HA! HA!
TEAM ROCKET'S PRETTY AWFUL!
IF YOU USE YOUR HORN TO THROW PIKACHU HIGH ENOUGH, MAYBE WE CAN STOP TEAM ROCKET!
I CHOOSE YOU, HERACROSS!
HERA!

FLING
PIKA!
FWEE!
HERACROSS, FIRE AWAY!
HUH?
SPROING
FOOM!
USE YOUR THUNDERBOLT ON THAT BALLOON!
ZZZRK RR AATT!!!
?
SHWEEE
FWOONPH
YEEEIIIKES!


OOWWOOWOOOOUCH!
PIKACHU!
HISSS!
HISSS!
PIKA!
HOORAY!
YOU AGAIN!
ARBOK, I CHOOSE YOU!
DANCE!
DANCE!
DANCE AROUND 'EM, PIKACHU!
PI
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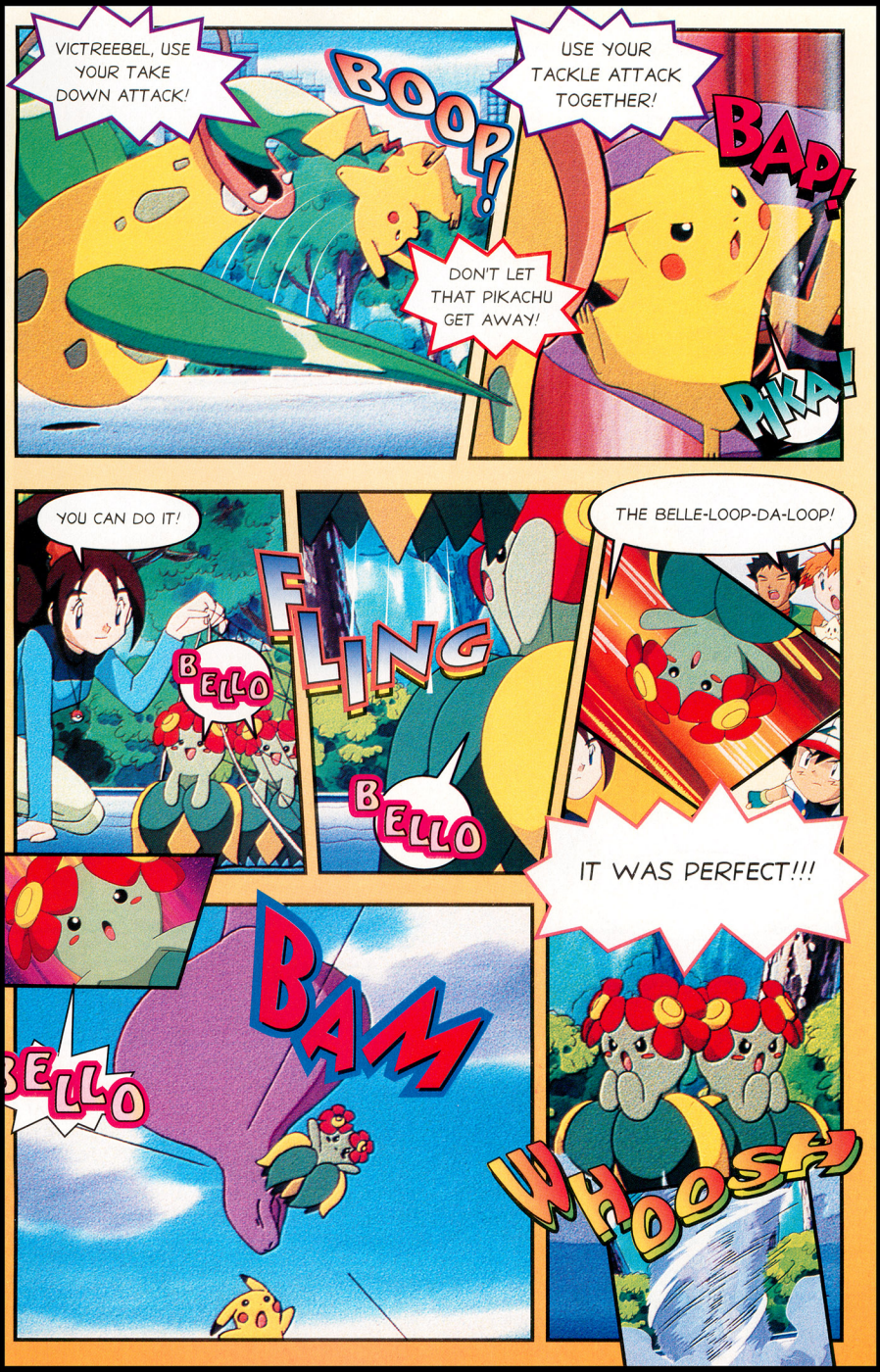
WHOOSH
WHOOSH


VICTREEBEL, USE YOUR TAKE DOWN ATTACK!
BOOP!
USE YOUR TACKLE ATTACK TOGETHER!
BAP!
DON'T LET THAT PIKACHU GET AWAY!
PIKA!
YOU CAN DO IT!
BELLO
FLING
BELLO
THE BELLE-LOOP-DA-LOOP!
IT WAS PERFECT!!!
BELLO
BAM
WHOOSH

BLOW THEM AWAY WITH A TORNADO TWISTER!
WHOOSH
WHOOSH
THIS IS A REAL TWIST ENDING!
WHOOSH
I FEEL LIKE I'M DANCING ON AIR!
BELLO!
PIKA!
YOU DID IT! THAT'S GREAT, GUYS!
I THINK YOU'D MAKE A PRETTY GOOD DANCE TRAINER!
AT THE POKÉMON EXHIBITION, THE SHOW MUST GO ON...
BELLE-LOOP-DA-LOOP! GO!
WHOOSH
BELLOSSOM
BELLOSSOM
ALL RIGHT!!!
LONG AFTER THE APPLAUSE HAS ENDED, ASH WILL REMEMBER THE LESSON HE'S LEARNED--THAT BATTLING ISN'T THE ONLY WAY FOR POKÉMON AND THEIR TRAINERS TO ACHIEVE SUCCESS. JUST SEE FOR YOURSELF IN HIS JOHTO JOURNEYS!
THE END!

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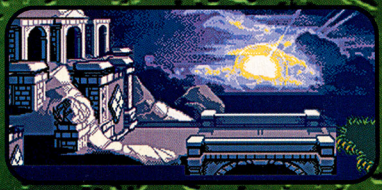
A World of Trouble

Last month we escorted you through the first two areas of Magi-Nation, guiding you from the forested groves of Vash Naroom to the fungus-filled lair of the Underneath. This month we'll take you the rest of the way—including the fires of Cald, the waters of Orothe and the skies of Arderial. We'll even show you two secret areas where you can find Hyrens, the most powerful Dream Creatures in the game!



The Enemy Returns

Though you destroyed the second Shadow Geyser located in the Underneath, the folks who live there aren't out of harm's way yet. They're about to be paid a visit from Morag, an extremely powerful Magi and the brainpower behind Korg and Zet. Fight his evil the best you can, but don't be surprised when you fail.

The Fall of Tony Jones

Morag didn't become the leader of all that is evil and rotten overnight—it took years of intensive training and preparation. A young upstart like Tony has no chance against the practiced hand of a master Magi who can summon mighty Dream Creatures, raze towns and even transform people into worms.

Mashed by Morag

Morag's appearance in the Underneath is a bad sign for Tony. Though you may struggle valiantly, it is ultimately a battle that can't be won—no matter how powerful you may be.

Back to Gia

You will be saved from Morag's wrath by your friend, Wence, who heals your wounds and allows you to save. Strike out for Gia's after you do so.

Attacked Again

Just when things can't get any worse, they do. A surprise attack leaves Tony stumbling and transports the would-be hero to a kingdom known as Cald.

Fire It up

The fiery Cald is home to the grumpiest citizens in all of Magi-Nation. Time after time they demand your aid, only to reward you with yet another difficult task. You'll need to eliminate another Shadow Geyser and keep your honesty intact before you'll gain their trust. Townsfolk aside, Cald contains a couple of potent Dream Creatures that you should secure quickly.

Under Siege

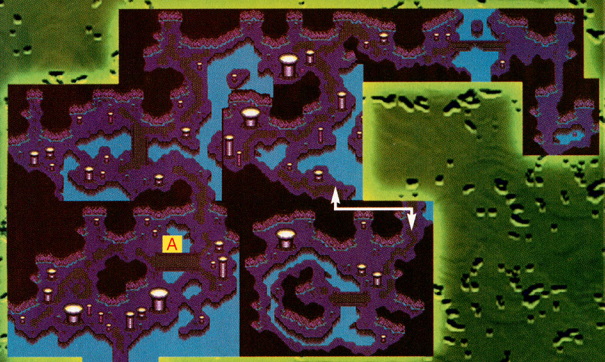
Upon arriving in Cald, you'll find yourself thrust into the role of hero once again. The entire town has been overrun by a group of nasty Shadow Magi, and Tony is the only person strong enough to stop them. Move through the terrorized town and take out any Magi you encounter.

Hidden Hyrens

There's a secret cave that contains Flame and Magma Hyrens by the entrance to the Tunnels. Walk to where the mountain peak touches the red lava wall and move down and left to enter.

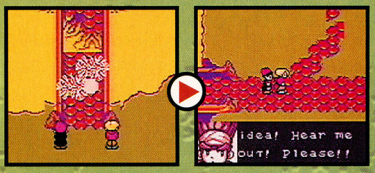
Valkan's Viaduct

The road to the third Shadow Geyser contains an impassable gap in its middle. Track down Valkan, Cald's master engineer, to solve the problem. He'll build a bridge if you secure a Lava Arboll for him. You'll find one in the nearby Lava Vent.



From Cald

A Bridge Not Far Enough



Valkan's Lava Arboll plan proves unworkable when the bridge collapses. His next idea will require you to find the area known as Orothe and retrieve a relic called Agadon's Boots. Grab a key from Ashgar's house—it's on the right-hand side of the first bookcase—and head for the Boat Dock, accessible from the Lava Tube.

Hidden Hyrens

By stepping into the vortex, you'll warp to a secret area of the Lava Tube where you can battle Cave and Mush Hyrens. You'll need to fight a few battles to gain their Infused Animite.

Lava Vent

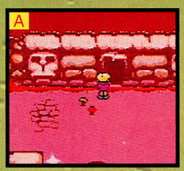
- Quor
- Lava Aq
- Kelthet
- Arbolit
- Lava Arboll

● The dot indicates recommended Dream Creatures. You'll want to collect the powerful allies.

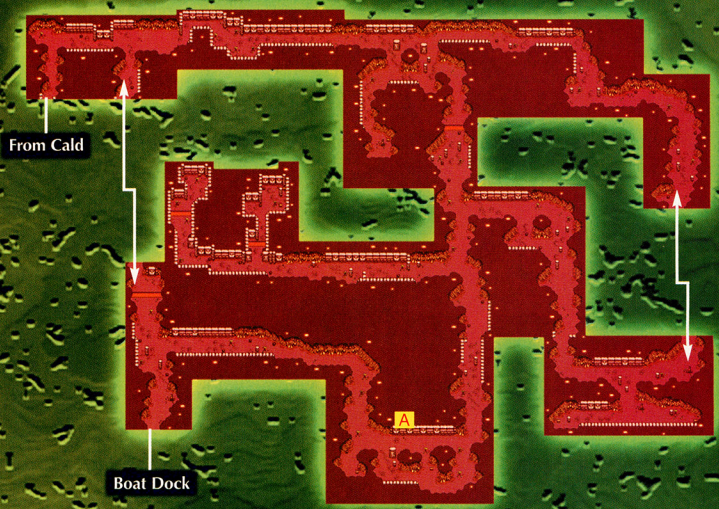
Lava Tube

- Diobor
- Saberback
- Graw
- Drakan
- ● Lava Balamant
- Raxis

Find a Fireball



The hidden door in the Lava Tube is tough to open. Stand at the left-hand side of the second face from the left, then press the A Button while moving back and forth. Once inside, click on walls to find a hidden switch. If you're patient, the Fireball spell will be yours.



Sail Away

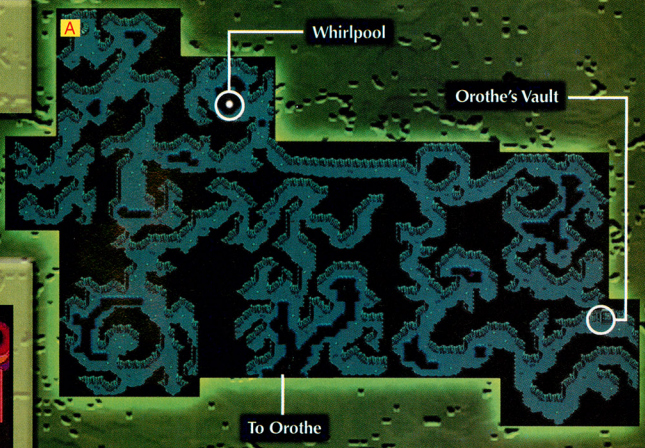
The ferryman drives a hard bargain, charging you 300 Animite for a one-way trip. Pay to get over, but don't fork out any money for the return trip. An inexpensive solution will present itself once you secure the jumping boots.

Finding the Vault

You'll meet a local named Orlon as soon as the chartered boat drops you off. Though he seems friendly enough, he knows nothing about the Orothe Vault—where the boots are supposedly kept. Enter the nearby house and search the bookshelf to reveal a secret staircase.

Blu's Clues

Use the map on the right to find your way through the confusing Orothe Tunnels. Once you've found the Vault, talk with a bored pirate named Blu. As he's been guarding the Vault for most of his life, he'll be more than happy to let you plunder it so he can embark upon a new career.



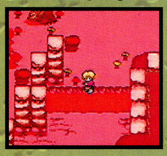
Orothe Tunnels

- Karak
- Abaquist
- Orpus
- Bwill
- Sharbloot
- Sea Jile

How Soap Is Made

Your journey back to Cald begins with a lunatic named Oflardt. Once he drops you off near Gia's house, go to the Tunnels north of her farm. If you wish to make a return trip by sea, you'll need to deal with the ferryman again. Tony can talk down the price to 50 Animite, but if you try to go any lower, he'll raise the cost permanently.

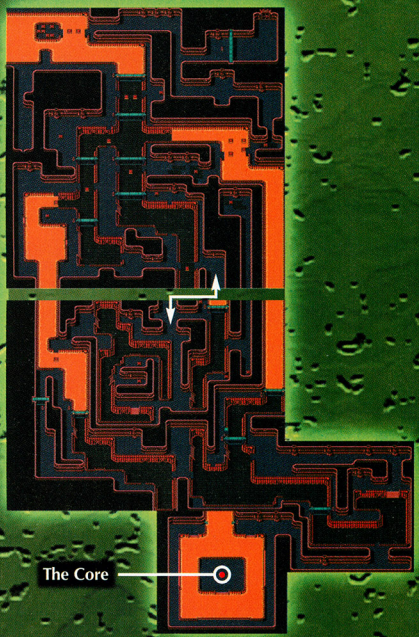
Lava Leaping



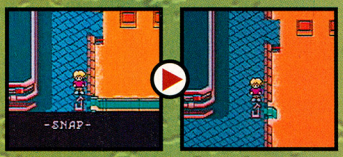
Agadon's Boots allow you to leap over a lava flow in the Tunnels and proceed to Cald. Take time to find every nook and cranny of both the Lava Tube and the Tunnels—the areas are packed with Waters of Life and other useful items.

A Geyser Advisor

The third Shadow Geyser is a tricky maze of blocks, lava pools and one-way tunnels. The battles aren't very difficult, but you'll want Tony to be around level 30 just to be on the safe side. Don't forget to get a Lava Balamant ring made before you attempt the geyser. Also, consider taking along an Arbolit, which can learn useful healing spells.

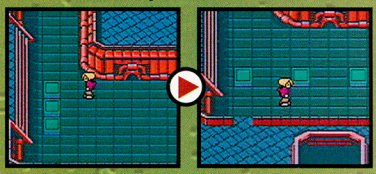


The Old Switcheroo



Lava must flow through the geyser before Tony can reach the Core, but walls block the way. Switches that snap off will only lower a wall, but those that remain intact may be used to raise and lower walls as many times as necessary.

It's a Block Party



The lava isn't deep, so Tony can use blocks to leap from one area to the next. Align blocks with an area's entryway, but don't space them more than two block-lengths apart or you won't clear the jump.

A Woman Scorned

As you near the end of the geyser, a mysterious woman named Warrada will appear out of the shadows and whisper cryptic nothings in Tony's ear. Don't ponder her meaning for long, however—you'll discover what she wants soon enough.

Crush the Core Keeper

The third Core Keeper is none too friendly. Use the Cave In spell to lower his defenses, then unleash your most powerful Dream Creatures. The Flame Geyser spell is also effective, but it hurts all creatures on-screen, including yours.

Cald Geyser

Shryque
Core Grag
Koil
Borgor

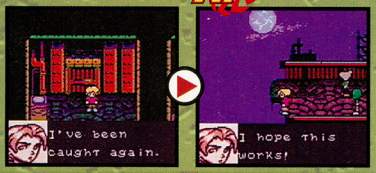
Boogie Down

Explore Cald's victory party before accepting the offer to see a surprise. If you haven't returned Ashgar's Key, the party will be your last chance. Otherwise, Caldites—including the Ringsmith—won't speak to you anymore.

The Shadow Knows

Without warning, evildoers will interrupt Tony's party, kidnap the scruffy Magi and throw him into a dungeon known as the Shadow Hold. The Hold is basically one enormous maze, and it is optional—but the key to curing Orwin's mysterious ailment depends on a certain item found within its massive stone walls.

Lost in the Shadows



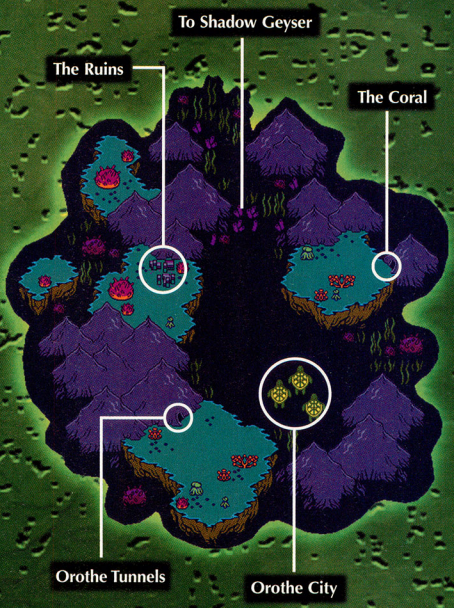
If you don't wish to battle through the Shadow Hold, retrieve your belongings and go left—but you must first trip some switches before the way will open. If you do attempt it, make your way to nintendopower.com for a map. The Hold is huge and packed with relics and items.

Shadow Hold

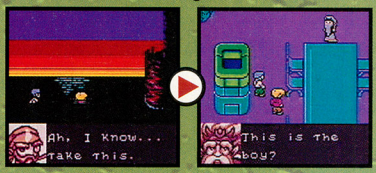
- Borgor
- Spindle
- Kletch
- Black Agovo
- Core Grag
- Core Hyren
- Jing Jack

Orothe Opens

Upon leaving the Hold you'll meet Blu once again. He'll teach you how to swim and take you to Orothe City. Once you can stay afloat, spend time exploring the waterways of Magi-Nation for secrets—starting with the Seer's house.



Just When You Thought It Was Safe



Blu's kind gift of the Orothean Belt allows Tony to swim through hostile waters. Stay on your toes—the fourth Shadow Geyser is deceptively short, but Orothe itself is massive.

Whirligig

You'll find a whirlpool deep inside the Orothe Tunnels. Entering the whirlpool will transport you to a secret area of the Coral. You'll want to save it until you're at a high level, however, as the battles are tough.

Clear the Coral

The Orothe Tunnels' whirlpool spits you out behind an invisible barrier in the Coral. You'll get a couple of formidable items there, but once you cross the barrier the only way to return is by swimming back to the whirlpool—so be sure to grab everything first.

Ransack the Ruins

You must find a Blurry Scroll in the Ruins before you can enter the fourth Shadow Geyser. There's also a Water of Life item and an Entangle spell hiding in the Ruins' watery depths. Once you've found the scroll, return to Orothe City and show it to the Historian. The town will vanish once you do, so be sure to have your rings made first.

Coral

- Sea Jile
- Karak
- Paralit
- Orpus

The Ruins

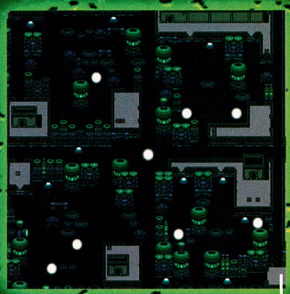
- Sea Jile
- Karak
- Paralit
- Orpus
- Sharbloot

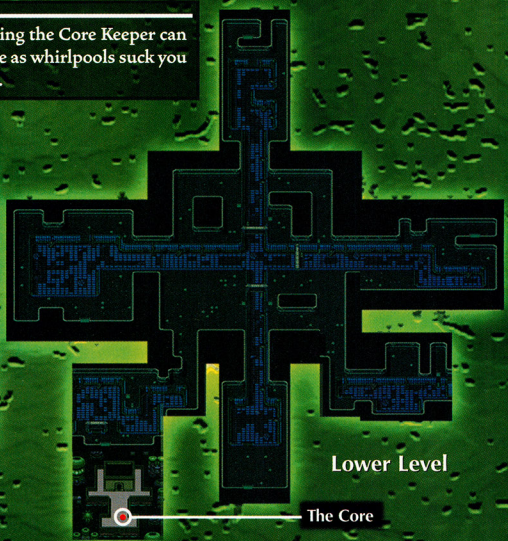
A Watery Grave

Your battles are straightforward in the fourth geyser, but reaching the Core Keeper can be quite a challenge. Trial and error will be the name of the game as whirlpools suck you down while mighty currents pitch you headlong into blackness.

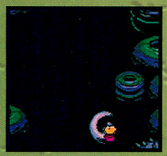
Orothe Geyser

- Yvohcna
- Shadow Karak
- Dryte Fiend
- Grax





Twist and Shout



Whirlpools in the geyser drop you straight down one level. The main level map on page 90 shows the area directly above the large middle square of the lower level map.

Warrada's Return

Warrada is back, and she has a deal for you. If you will abandon your quest and forgo your newfound friends, she'll allow you to leave with your life. You can take her up on the offer and get the Core Glyph without a fight—but you'll have to fight her again in a secret fifth geyser if you do.

A Stunning Revelation

Once you've worked your way through the Tunnels and back to the Orothe house, Eidon will meet you and return you to Gia. She informs you that you aren't the savior they had hoped for and asks you to leave Magi-Nation forever.

A Kingdom in the Sky

Shocked and saddened, Tony begins the long walk home. It seems like a bad end to a fantastic adventure, but it's a safe bet that something sinister is afoot. Don't pack for your vacation just yet—spend the downtime putting together your crack team of Dream Creatures for the incredibly challenging battles that lie just around the bend.

Homeboys

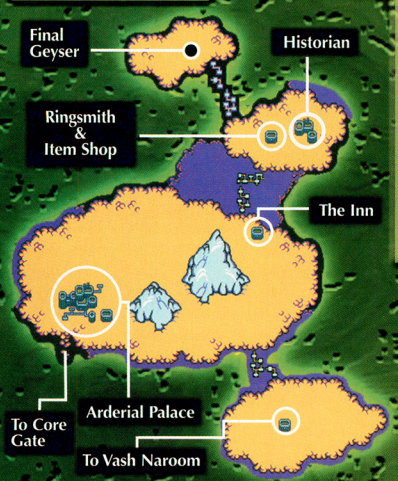
The bullies in Tony's hometown are amazed to see him back in one piece. They offer a truce of sorts, on the condition that Tony will meet their newfound friends.

It's a Trick. Get an Axe.

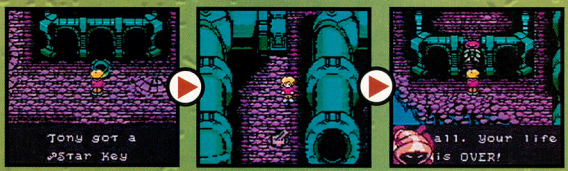
Korg and Zet have returned, and the first order of business is to wipe the floor with Mr. Jones. Korg's Grax-heavy team isn't much of a challenge, but you'll need a lot of luck to take out Zet. Hyrens of any type will be a tremendous help.

A Cry for Help

The people of Arderial, a kingdom in the clouds, need Tony's aid to rid themselves of a new, secret Shadow Geyser. Agree to their demands and follow them to the Arderial Palace, where you'll meet a queen and even learn to fly.



The Final Battle



The fifth and final geyser will push your adventuring skills to the limit. You'll need to find a number of hidden Star Keys, all the while battling a fierce assortment of enemies. And if you make it through, you'll have to brawl with the fiercest magi of them all, Morag. The Star Keys can also be used to find other secret places throughout Magi-Nation.

Home Sweet Home

The battle is over, the day is won. Or is it? There are a number of secret endings and hidden treasures throughout Magi-Nation, and we'd need an entire magazine to cover them all. As a parting tip, take caution that the end of the game might not, in fact, be the end. Persistence will be rewarded, especially when it comes to seemingly closed doors…

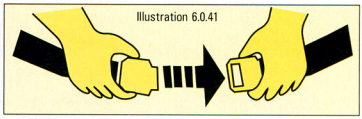
UNCLOGGING THE MYSTERY OF

PROJECT M

TECHNOLOGY HAS PRODUCED MANY MODERN MARVELS, BUT THE GREATEST WONDERS MAY BE JUST AROUND THE U-BEND. IMAGINE TRAVELING TO CHINA OR THE NORTH POLE IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE—USING A WARP PIPE INSPIRED BY NINTENDO'S OWN MARIO!

4/01/01 THE FIRST HUMAN TEST!

On April 1st of this year, scientists from the Schabernack Institute and theoretical futurists from an undisclosed Japanese business concern are scheduled to undertake the first long-range test of Project M. Until the institute announced the test at the beginning of the year, Project M was shrouded in mystery. But now, by studying the scant documentation provided to the media, one can safely conclude that it is a tube-based transportation system designed to propel individuals between two distant installations. It appears the conveyance takes place instantly—effectively "warping" the traveler to a new location.

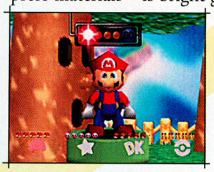


Few people ever dreamed that one day we'd be able to travel through green pipes like Mario and Luigi. "If I didn't know better, I'd say it was some sort of elaborate joke," said Cristof von Shlepvard of the Schabernack Institute.

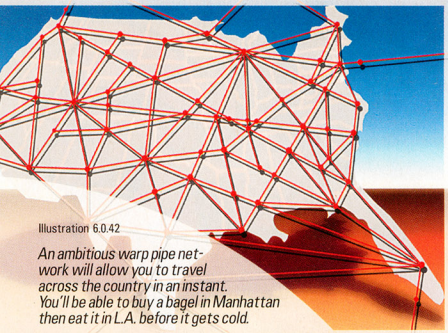
WARP PIPES MAY ELIMINATE SERIOUS PROBLEMS LIKE SEA SICKNESS, ROAD RAGE AND WORLD HUNGER.

THE IDEA SOUNDS PLUMB LOCO!

If the "warp plumbing" concept sounds familiar to you, there's a good reason. For years, Nintendo's beloved Mario has been using a similar transportation system to move between areas in games like Paper Mario and Super Mario Bros. The coincidence is all the more striking when you consider that the material used in the pipe's construction—cryptically referred to as "Substance N" in the press materials—is bright green, much like the pipes in the Mario games.



Because there is no obvious propulsion system in the basic design of the pipes, it is probable that the mysterious substance is the key to warp pipe transit. Apparently, Substance N allows travelers to vanish into one end of the pipe then appear an instant later at the other end. Don't let the technology frighten you—many people don't understand how cars work either, but they use them every day!



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An ambitious warp pipe network will allow you to travel across the country in an instant. You'll be able to buy a bagel in Manhattan then eat it in L.A. before it gets cold.

THE EXPERTS ON PROJECT M:

"OUR INITIAL TESTS WITH COWS AND MONKEYS COULD HAVE GONE BETTER, BUT WE'VE GOT THE KINKS WORKED OUT OF IT NOW. THERE IS VIRTUALLY NO CHANCE WE WILL LAUNCH ANY MORE TEST SUBJECTS INTO SPACE."
— DR. GABRIELLE MULLINISIMO

"DISINTEGRATION SOUNDS SO NEGATIVE; WE PREFER THE TERM 'MOLECULAR EMANCIPATION.' ANYWAY, IT WOULDN'T BE THE FIRST PRODUCT TO HAVE SIDE EFFECTS."
— DR. CRISTOF VON SHLEPVARD

"ONCE YOUR TOP LAYER OF SKIN HAS PEELED OFF, IT'S REALLY NOT THAT BAD."
— TEST PIPER TYMM GARRITT

"THE JUNCTIONS ARE PROBABLY THE BIGGEST TECHNOLOGICAL HURDLES WE'RE FACING RIGHT NOW. ONCE WE SEPARATE SOME OF OUR TEST SUBJECTS FROM EACH OTHER, WE'LL KNOW MORE."
— JORGE SINFELDO, PE

"JUST ABOUT EVERY ATTORNEY I KNOW IS EXCITED ABOUT PROJECT M. IT'S GOING TO BE A BIG MONEY-MAKER FOR US."
— AL VARILL, ESQ.

Illustration 6.0.43

Warp pipes are different from conventional plumbing used to transport water and waste. DO NOT attempt to warp through conventional plumbing.

SEVERAL THOUSAND POINTS OF LIGHTS!

A vast network of interconnected pipes is closer to reality than you may think. For months, Schabernack Institute workers have been tearing up roads all over North America to lay warp pipe. Up until the big announcement, an elaborate "fiber-optic cable" cover story was established to explain the work. If everything goes as planned on April 1st, a human test piper will bounce through the network at the speed of light, stopping at a handful of American cities. In his photonic form, the test piper will be able to squeeze through one-inch sections of warp pipe with ease.

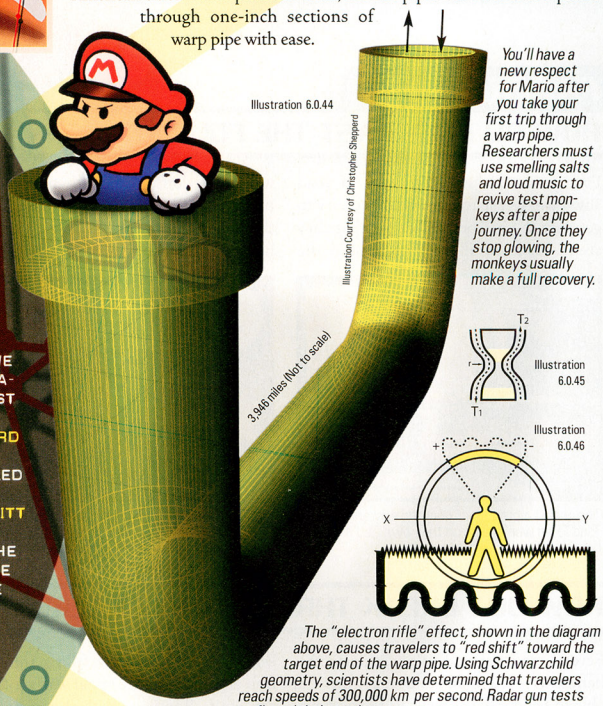

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Illustration Courtesy of Christopher Sheppard

3,946 miles (Not to scale)

You'll have a new respect for Mario after you take your first trip through a warp pipe. Researchers must use smelling salts and loud music to revive test monkeys after a pipe journey. Once they stop glowing, the monkeys usually make a full recovery.

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The "electron rifle" effect, shown in the diagram above, causes travelers to "red shift" toward the target end of the warp pipe. Using Schwarzchild geometry, scientists have determined that travelers reach speeds of 300,000 km per second. Radar gun tests confirmed their results.

WAKE UP, YOU'RE LATE FOR SCHOOL—IN CHINA!

If the test is successful, Project M will dramatically change the way we live our lives. Your next school field trip may be to Africa. The entire world may need to learn a common language, like Latin. A Chicago crook may disappear into the Siberian tundra only seconds after committing a robbery on Michigan Avenue. If you think such things sound ridiculous, you aren't alone. Naysayers claim Project M will never work, that "warp pipes" and "photonic transfer" are nonsense terms with no basis in sound science. Pipe advocates may have the last laugh, however. Come April 1st, they plan to make their pipe dream a reality.

COUNSELORS' CORNER

Your Questions—Our Experts!

PAPER MARIO

HOW DO I GET PAST THE FOUR TOADS IN TOAD TOWN?

Four Toads at the eastern edge of Toad Town will refuse to move when you try to get past them. The problem is that they aren't Toads at all and you'll need the wizard, Merlon, to expose their true identities. Visit Shooting Star Summit, learn the Action Command then visit Merlon's house. After your initial introduction, stand next to Merlon then talk to him. If you've already confronted the four Toads, Merlon will investigate the matter and quickly open the path for you.

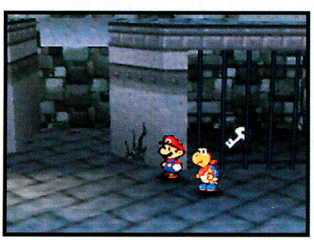
The oddly colored Toads near the eastern exit in Toad Town won't move on their own. You'll need help from Merlon to get past them.

Merlon won't let you in his house until you've visited Shooting Star Summit. Be sure to stand next to Merlon, or he won't investigate the Toads.

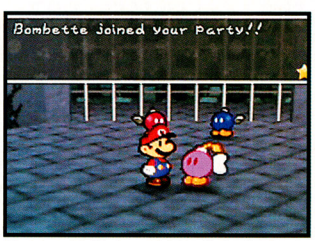
Merlon's magical lightning blast will expose the Toads as the Koopa Bros. They'll scamper away, opening the path to Koopa Village.

HOW DO I BREAK THROUGH THE CRACKED WALLS?

Several essential and valuable items are behind cracked walls, and you won't be able to penetrate the walls until you have Bombette at your disposal. You'll find Bombette by purposely falling into the trap at the top of the spiral walkway. You can ignite Bombette with the bottom C Button. She'll walk several steps in whatever direction you are facing then explode. If she explodes near a crack in the wall, the blast will open a doorway to new areas and items.



You won't get very far in Koopa Bros. Fortress without help from Bombette. Some keys are sealed off behind cracked stone walls.



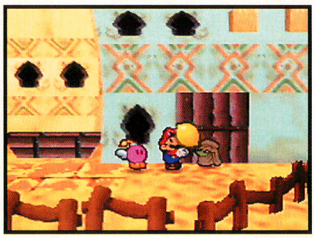
Meet up with Bombette in her cell then backtrack to all the cracked walls you discovered on the way there.

Face a crack in the wall then press the bottom C Button. Bombette will walk up to the crack then explode, opening a doorway.

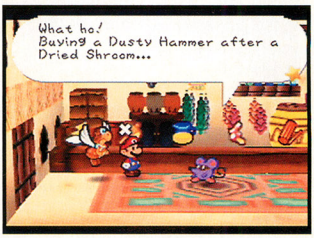
HOW DO I ENTER DRY DRY RUINS?

Although Dry Dry Ruins is your ultimate destination in the second chapter of the game, your must first go to Dry Dry Outpost to pick up a key item: the Pulse Stone. Stop off at the oasis in Dry Dry Desert on the way to the outpost to pick up some Lemons and Limes. When you reach the outpost, you'll run into a mysterious mouse named Sheek. If you give him a Lemon, he'll send you to Little Mouser's shop. Buy a Dried Shroom then a Dusty Hammer from Little Mouser to prove your allegiance to Moustafa. He'll tell you where to find the elusive mouse's hideout. Go outside and climb up a pile of crates to the roof. Walk along the rooftop to the second-floor entrance to Moustafa's home. Once inside, you'll discover that Sheek is actually Moustafa. He'll give you information about Dry Dry Ruins then hand over the Pulse Stone. As you journey through the desert, the stone will pulse more rapidly when you approach an exit that leads to the ruins. You'll eventually reach a rock with a Pulse Stone-shaped hole in it. Place the stone in the hole to make the ruins appear.

Stop off at the oasis on the way to Dry Dry Outpost to pick up Lemons and Limes.



No need to squeeze him for info. Bribe Sheek with a Lemon to find out about Little Mouser's Shop.



Buy the Dried Shroom then the Dusty Hammer to find out about Moustafa's hideout.

Climb up the crates to reach Moustafa's place on the rooftop. He'll hand over the Pulse Stone.

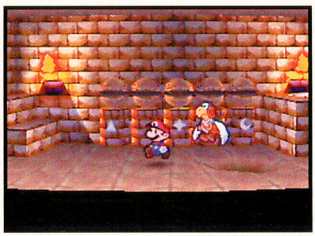
Reenter the Dry Dry Desert then go all the way north and west until you reach a rock marker.

Place the Pulse Stone inside the hole in the rock to make Dry Dry Ruins appear.

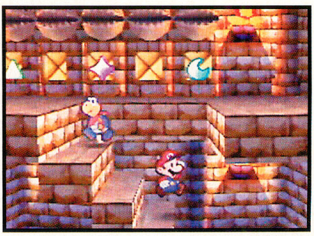
HOW DO I REACH THE BOSS IN DRY DRY RUINS?

You'll need three stones to open the path to Tutankoopa in the Dry Dry Ruins. Each stone is protected by stone chomps that are relatively easy to defeat if you possess the Super Hammer. Once you have all three stones, you'll need to place them on three of the five Chomp statues above Tutankoopa's chamber. The correct order—pyramid, space, diamond, space, crescent—is shown on a similar array of statues in an adjacent room. Proper placement will open a stairwell to the boss.

You can use the Super Hammer to smash a Stone Block in front of the Pyramid Stone. You won't get away without fighting a Stone Chomp.



Drain the sand out of a room near the Chomp Statues to see another set of statues that reveal the correct placement of the stones.



After the three stones are placed on the statues, a stairwell will appear in the room. Go down three flights of stairs then head right.

THE LEGEND OF ZELDA: MAJORA'S MASK

WHAT'S THE BEST WAY TO DEFEAT WIZROBE?

Wizrobe is an exasperating enemy you'll need to fight twice inside Snowhead Temple. His tactics are the same each time: he'll magically shift between pedestals, spin then deliver an icy blast that can freeze you in place. He's vulnerable only while he's spinning. Either use the Bunny Hood to attack him with your sword or target him with your Hero's Bow.

Keep moving until after Wizrobe attacks then target him with your bow as he spins.

Eventually, he'll use decoys to try to fool you. Use your map and compass to find the real Wizrobe.

In the second battle, Wizrobe will appear on raised platforms, requiring you to use the bow.

HOW DO I DEFEAT GOHT?

After you unfreeze him with a Fire Arrow, Goht will run a counterclockwise route around the boss chamber until you render it inoperable. You can get Goht's goat by repeatedly goring it with a Goron Roll. As long as you smash the pots in your way, you should have plenty of magic to maintain your roll. Be careful to avoid the lightning bolts, bombs and spikes.

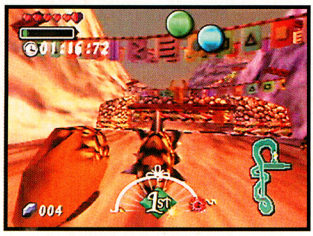
Curl into a Goron Roll then chase Goht around the perimeter of the Boss Chamber. When you catch it, move side to side to cause damage.

Goht may stop periodically to hurl lightning bolts at you. Swerve to either side to avoid the blasts and keep moving.

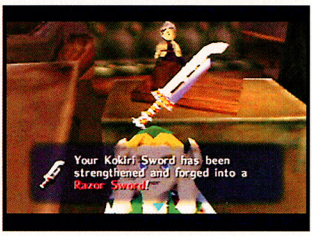
Goht will also hurl bombs and cause spikes to drop from the ceiling. Be patient as you fight the monster—you'll eventually wear it down.

HOW DO I UPGRADE TO A GILDED SWORD?

To upgrade to a Gilded Sword, you must first upgrade to an Adult Wallet by depositing 200 Rupees at the bank in Clock Town. After you defeat Goht, buy a Razor Sword upgrade from the mountain Smithy for 100 Rupees. Return the next day with Gold Dust so he can forge a Gilded Sword. Leave your sword with him overnight for each upgrade.



You must win the spring race at the Goron Racetrack to acquire Gold Dust.



The Mountain Smithy will make you wait a day for your new Razor Sword.

Give your Razor Sword and your Gold Dust to the smithy so he can create a Gilded Sword.

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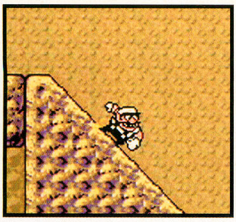
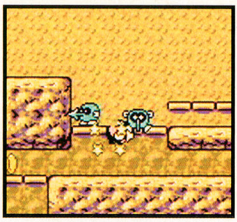
HOW DO I REACH THE BOSS ON THE VOLCANO'S BASE?

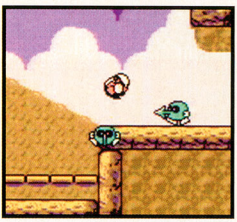
You'll be on a roll if you find the way to the boss in the Volcano's Base. From the start of the level, head right until you reach the second ramp. Start your roll at the top of the ramp then jump at the last possible moment. You'll roll through a narrow opening below a segmented floor. Jump up through the segmented floor then hop a ledge to reach the boss.



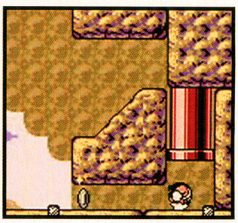
Start at the top of the second ramp then jump just before you reach the pipe to clear the first step.



Leap up through the segmented floor while you roll to reach the top level above the narrow tunnel.



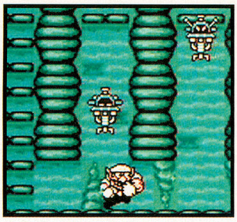
Leap the first step you come to on the top level then roll over the ledge and straight ahead.



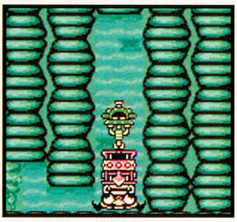
If you don't attempt any jumps after the step on the top level, you should hit the tunnel to the boss's room.

HOW DO I REACH THE SILVER KEY ON THE GRASSLANDS?

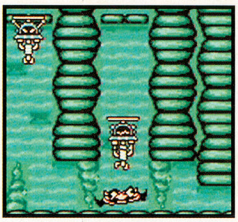
Two propeller-driven enemies will try to snatch you as you make your way to the smashing machine on the right side of the silver key room. Charge past them one at a time, get flattened then go left. While flattened, you should jump into the helicopter enemies to avoid capture. Jump up the steps then walk off the second to last step to float to the key.



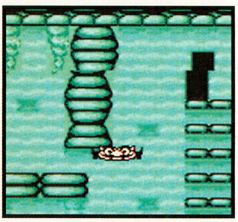
Charge underneath the helicopter enemies to avoid getting snatched. Remember to pause between runs.



If you stand under the machine on the right side of the room, you'll be squashed into a waddling pancake.



Jump as you pass underneath the helicopter enemies. They'll bounce harmlessly off the top of your head.



Stand one step below the top step then move—don't jump—left to float to the key.

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Banjo-Tooie

Q: How do I break the underwater doors?

A: You need to use the Talon Torpedo move to smash through underwater barriers.

Q: Is there a way to make Humba Wumba's magic work in more than one world?

A: Only the Dragon transformation can be used in more than one world.

Q: I'm pressing the correct buttons—why can't I perform a move?

A: You must first learn a move from Jamjars before you can execute it in the game.

Batman Beyond

Q: How do I save a game?

A: You can't save. You must finish in one sitting.

Q: Which suit is the best?

A: Each suit has weaknesses and strengths. The Defensive Suit is the most resilient one.

Q: Why can't I jump to certain ledges?

A: Some of the jumps in the game require you to use the Nimble Suit.

Mickey's Speedway USA (GBC)

Q: How do I get a boost from the starting line?

A: You must hit the A Button just as the light is turning green. It takes practice.

Q: Can I use the Transfer Pak with the game?

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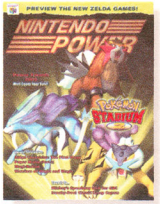

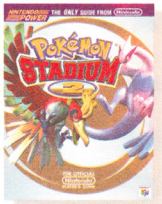

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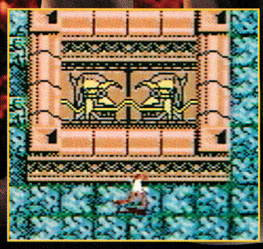

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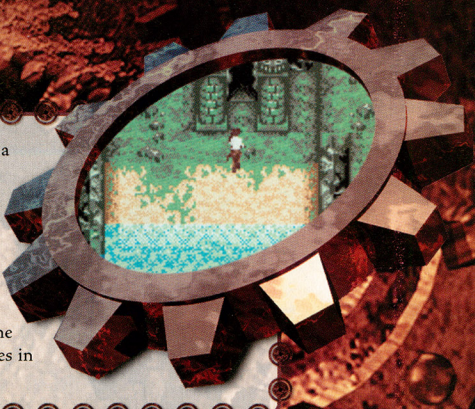
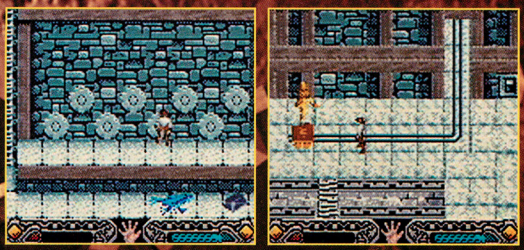
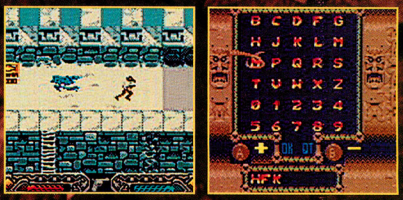


Indy's adventure begins in 1947 when he meets Sophia Hopwood, an agent in the newly formed CIA. Sophia informs Indy that the Soviets, under the direction of Gennadi Volodnikov, are searching for something at the site of ancient Babylon. As he explores Babylon and other archaeological sites, Indy learns the true nature of the Soviets' quest. From there, the race is on to collect the four missing parts of the Infernal Machine. Within each area, Indy also digs up treasure that he trades for Medical and Poison Kits at the end of the stage. In many areas, he must find and use special tools or items that play important roles in solving puzzles.



Some items, such as the cog found in the Sanctuary of Shambala, are part of a puzzle. In this case, the cog activates a clock mechanism. In turn, the clock mechanism runs a bell ringer that strikes the bell in the Sanctuary.

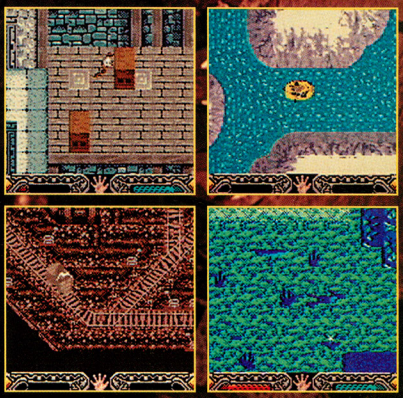


Staying alive long enough to solve each puzzle is a big part of the game. Indy can lose a life from falling, drowning, burning or losing HP from attacks. You'll be able to replay each level using the built-in continue feature, and you can turn off the game and resume play later using passwords.

NO DIGGING REQUIRED

Indiana Jones seldom has to dig for artifacts and treasure, but there are times in the game when even the heroic Dr. Jones must stoop with a spade to uncover some booty. Most of the time, you'll find him sweating to move a block, climbing up a stone wall, swinging across a chasm with his whip, swimming through shark-infested waters to reach a wreck or paddling down an icy river in search of a legendary temple in the Himalayas. It's all in a day's work for a dedicated archaeologist.

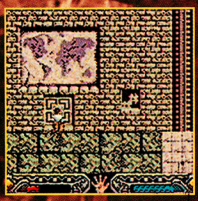
You have to be careful when it comes to making a leap of faith. The angle of the perspective can make it easy to misjudge ledges. You'll flick the whip automatically if you're in the right spot.

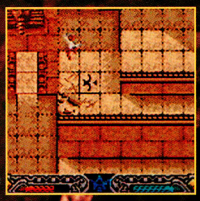


There are many reasons to push crates and boulders around, such as wanting a step up to a ledge or a heavy object to place on a switch. Rafting is hard work, too. Riding the cart in Sol's Mine is a better way to travel. As for swimming, Indy is a champ, but he can't hold his breath forever.

TOOLS OF THE TRADE

Indy makes use of many items. Some items, such as Medicinal Herbs, are used on the spot. Medical and Poison Kits can be stockpiled for times when you really need them. Treasure is simply collected and stored until the end of the stage. Then there are the items you use, such as keys, artifacts, mechanical tools and the powerful parts of the Infernal Machine. Those items help you progress in the game, sometimes in dramatic fashion. Indy also carries a pistol with endless rounds of ammo.

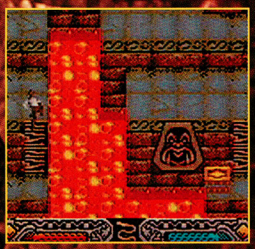




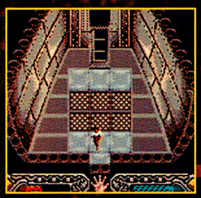
An artifact that appears on the top bar of Indy's inventory is used in the current stage. For instance, you might have to place an idol from your inventory into a wall niche. The four parts of the Infernal Machine have special uses, like Azerim's Mirror, which helps Indy fly to ledges.

All of your items appear on the submenu, which you can access by pushing the Start Button. You can collect up to five Medical and Poison Kits and 10 treasures. In addition to the Hand, Whip and Pistol, Indy can collect up to seven other items. The pistol is Indy's main weapon in the game.

ROAM AROUND THE WORLD



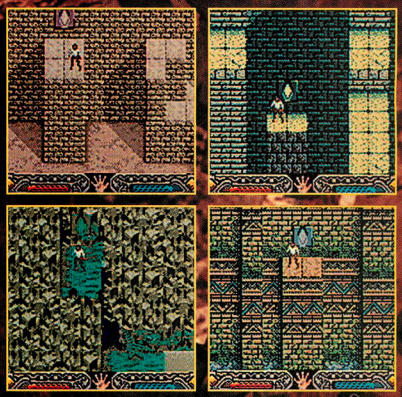
Home is where the action is, according to Indy. During his adventure, he'll find himself in every corner of the globe. Most of the 16 stages of Indiana Jones and the Infernal Machine are large, open levels that contain many areas and secrets. A few, such as the Tian Shian River and King Sol's Mines, take the form of rides through mazes. You'll find all the areas that were in the N64 game, but each location has been recreated with its own challenges on GBC. You can spend hours in some areas figuring out the intricate puzzles.



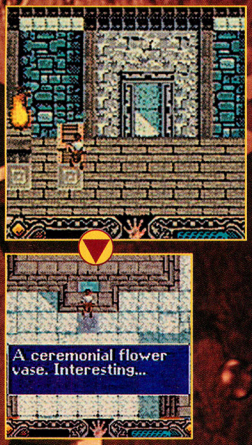
Fans of the N64 game will recognize names such as Meroe, Nub's Tomb, Olmec Valley, Russian Border, Palawan Volcano and VI Pudovkin, the Soviet freighter, but they won't recognize most of the new map layouts in the GBC version. It's a brave new world for you and Indy to explore.

WHAT'S THIS DO?

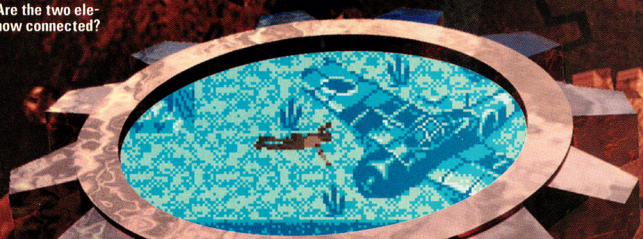
Puzzles are the heart and soul of the game. Whether Indy has to figure out how a clockwork mechanism works, how to reach a seemingly inaccessible ledge or how a strange hieroglyph in a stone wall fits into the overall puzzle, he (and you) will have a lot of thinking and experimenting to do. Anything unusual, such as a crack in a wall or a design in a tile, often means that it's part of a puzzle. The solution could be as simple as using an item to open a passage or so complex that it takes a dozen steps to complete. Next month, Nintendo Power will unlock many of the mysteries. For now, consider a few of the conundrums that you'll face in the game.



During the course of the game, Indy runs across four perplexing puzzles that defy explanation. In each case, he spies a diamond-shaped symbol on a ledge that he cannot reach. Only at the end of the game will you be able to find an answer to the mystery of the diamonds.



In the Sanctuary, Indy is faced with two puzzles in one room. There's a fire burning that he can't reach and a treasure chest that he can't collect or open. Elsewhere in the Sanctuary is a puzzling ornamental flower vase filled with water. Are the two elements somehow connected?



COMING SOON

Indiana Jones and the Infernal Machine for GBC has almost as much depth as the recent N64 game and far fewer control problems. If you want a sprawling tale of derring-do wrapped around a knotty mental challenge, Indy will fill the bill nicely. THQ hopes to release Indy by the end of March, so it may be available by the time you read this preview. Next month, NP will dig even deeper into the mysteries of the Infernal Machine and show you the way to the Aetherium and beyond.

Game Boy a-Go-Go

THIS MONTH

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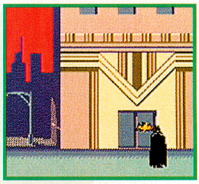
CRIME SPREE PUNCHOUT

Based on the latest animated Batman TV series, and featuring a variety of play styles, Batman: Chaos in Gotham delivers a punch that will hit home for many fans of the Caped Crusader. The game, published by Ubi Soft, includes six big side-scrolling, action-packed stages that will have you facing off with the likes of Mr. Freeze, the Joker and Poison Ivy. It also includes a trio of vehicle-based stages that allow you to blast off with the Batmobile, Jet Wing and Batcycle. Classic Batman baddies have busted out of jail. It's up to you to round them up.



CAPED CRUSADE

Busting loose from Blackgate Prison and Arkham Asylum in a defiant act of villainy, the most dangerous minds of Gotham have taken the city by storm. Only Batman and Batgirl have what it takes to put the loathsome mob back behind bars.

LEVEL 2: It's No Laughing Matter

Following a high-speed chase in the Batmobile, you'll track down the Joker at the Gotham City Museum. You'll punch your way through a gang of henchmen in art exhibits, on moving platforms and on the skeleton of a dinosaur. In one section, you'll clear the way by blocking strong air currents with crates. It all leads up to a battle with the Clown Prince of Crime!

LEVEL 4: A Venomous Plan

If you've uncovered the Ubi Key, you'll take a ride on the Batboat in a bonus stage. Your mission will continue in a cloning lab on a Gotham City dock, where scientists are working to develop a new body for Mr. Freeze. There, you'll encounter vats of deadly liquid and high-voltage traps. After making your way through the mazelike lab, you'll face off with Bain.

LEVEL 6: 2+2 Equals Two-Face

The final stage of your mission takes you back to the streets of Gotham where you will scale a building in pursuit of Harvey Dent (A.K.A. Two-Face). When you reach the top, you'll face the machine gun-toting villain and a helicopter that is also equipped with automatic weapons. Jump out of the way of the shots and focus your energy on Harvey.

BAT GADGETS

Batman's utility belt is packed with gadgets that will give you the power to pummel your enemies. A circular pickup energizes the items. Press the Select Button to cycle through the gadgets and press the A Button to use them.

Punch

Your most reliable weapon is your own strength. You'll be able to plow through most enemies with your fists alone.

Batarang

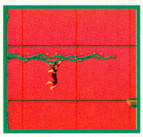
When villains are out of reach, you can hit them with a collection of Batarangs.

STUN Bomb

You can freeze your enemies temporarily with the blast of a STUN Bomb. Press A to plant a bomb then again to detonate.

LEVEL 1: Diamonds and Ice

The battle begins on the streets of Gotham and spills into the Iceberg Lounge, a huge warehouse that has been transformed into a giant icebox. In one particularly challenging passage, you must cross a wide pool by jumping from one ice floe to the next. Climb to the rafters to skip that area completely, then prepare to face off with Freeze, the coldest criminal in Gotham.



LEVEL 3: Thru the Garden of Evil

There's no rest for the weary as your crime-fighting mission takes you through a rocket chase with Roxy Rocket, a motorcycle race and a battle in Gotham Park with Batgirl under your wing. After you survive a struggle with plant people and killer vines, you'll enter Poison Ivy's secret lab, where the venomous villain is conducting an experiment with deadly gasses. Shut it down!

LEVEL 5: Next Stop, Danger!

Your journey takes you to the Bi-Rail train station where you'll uncover the mastermind behind the supervillain crime spree. As you battle hoodlums on and in a train, you'll be able to power up for a fight with a double-barreled laser cannon. When you go up against the cannon, avoid its laser shots and energy blasts, then hit it hard when it drops down to ground level.

Race through Gotham with Wheels and Rockets

In between side-scrolling, enemy-punching action stages, you'll have a chance to ride some powerful vehicles. You'll chase the Joker while driving the Batmobile, fire on Roxy Rocket while piloting the Jet Wing and go up against a mob of motorcycle maniacs with Batgirl on the Batcycle. You'll also be able to take control over the Batboat if you locate the Ubi Key.

Grapple

If you're up against a sheer wall or cliff, you may be able to reach the top with the help of the Grapple device.

Health Pickup

When you're low on energy, a heart-shaped health pickup will be a welcome sight. Collect it to reenergize your crime fighter.

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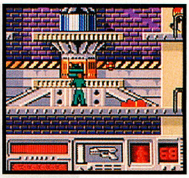
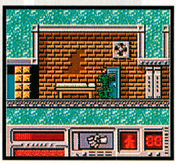
ACTION TO THE MAX

Loaded with advanced strength and speed, and bound to his need for Transphasik Energy to stay alive, Max Steel is a man with a mission. You can join him for more than 10 long missions of undercover action in Max Steel: Covert Missions from Mattel Interactive. As an agent of N-Tek Corporation, Max travels the globe to combat the likes of John Dread and his D.R.E.A.D. Cartel in the interest of stopping global terrorism. As you guide him through his goals, you'll fight countless agents of D.R.E.A.D., collect powerful weapons and put Max's powers to the test.





READY FOR WAR

While making your way through the missions, you'll pick up a powerful arsenal of high-tech weaponry. You'll do well by knowing the power of your weapons and selecting the right firearm for every combat situation.

Fist

Activate Turbo Power and switch to your fists to punch through certain barricades.

Laser Pistol

Take down security guards and weak combatants with a single Laser Pistol shot.

Plasma Rifle

While capable of severely damaging targets, the Plasma Rifle sometimes overheats.

Sniper Rifle

The Sniper Rifle fires piercing rounds with maximum accuracy—a deadly combination.

Rocket Launcher

While the Rocket Launcher is slow to fire, it is also incredibly destructive.

Bolt Gun

The N-Tek-developed Bolt Gun releases steel-tipped bolts with silenced shots.

LOAD UP ON AMMO

Every mission area is loaded with ammunition for weapons that are also in the area. Explore every path for hidden rounds.

Laser Pistol

Plasma Rifle

Sniper Rifle

Rocket Launcher

Bolt Gun

HELP IS ON THE WAY

Max needs Transphasik Energy to use his advanced powers. He must also recharge his health when damaged. You can pick up three types of items to help him stay healthy and powerful. It's good practice to keep both health and energy maxed out.

First Aid Kits

First Aid Kits come in two sizes. The smaller one restores some health. The large one restores all health.

Transphasik Energy Containers

The cost for enhanced power is a need for Transphasik Energy. Containers reappear seconds after you collect them.

Extra Life

If Max's health bottoms-out, you'll lose a life in reserve. Collect as many Extra Lives as you can find.

N-Tek Power Modes

Normal Power
Press the Select Button to go to a screen where you can choose weapons and power modes. In Normal Power Mode, Max's power and speed are only slightly enhanced.

Turbo Power
N-Tek Turbo Power Mode charges Max's body with superhuman strength and speed, giving him the ability to blast through some barricades with his fists. Transphasik Energy is required.

Stealth Power
Like Turbo Power Mode, Stealth Power Mode consumes Transphasik Energy. In Stealth Power Mode, Max can slip by some enemies unnoticed and make enemies miss when they attempt to fire at him.

HEAD OFF D.R.E.A.D.

The D.R.E.A.D. Cartel is involved in terrorist activity all over the world. If they can establish dominance in just a few key areas, they might be able to realize their goal of global domination. You've got to make sure that it doesn't happen.

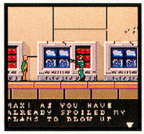
Save Your Shots

You'll encounter a lot of enemies as you go, and you may find ammunition hard to come by at times. Be sure not to use up more ammunition than you need to do the job. If you're out of ammo, you'll have to resort to stealth skills and hand-to-hand combat.

Campaign 1: Rescue and Reconnaissance

Mission 1

D.R.E.A.D. forces have hatched a plan to hit an important target in the American Southwest. Your first goal in stopping their scheme is to rescue an N-Tek agent who can give you inside information about enemy actions.



Mission 2

The D.R.E.A.D. target is Hoover Dam. Three bombs have been placed within the dam structure. You must find and disable all of the bombs in a very short time. If even one of the bombs is detonated, the dam will be destroyed.

Campaign 2: Underwater Offensive

Mission 1

With the Hoover Dam scare out of the picture, you can launch a strike on the team that targeted the dam. You'll enter its base by going underwater. You must trigger three switches to open the hatch.

Mission 2

Your goal is to destroy D.R.E.A.D.'s island base. You'll be able to carry out that mission by planting bombs in two vulnerable central locations. The base is a complex maze of halls and chambers. Advance carefully and prepare to fight.

Take to the Water

For underwater missions, Max dons a wetsuit and tanks and carries a harpoon. You'll need that protection as you face scuba-diving agents of D.R.E.A.D. and a force of Max-eating sharks.

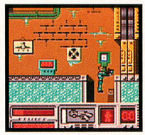
Take to the Air

Max has access to an MX25 Attack Jet for missions that require air combat. The jet can take off and land vertically for maximum maneuverability. It's equipped with a cannon that is powerful enough to take down any airborne enemies.

Campaign 3: Air Raid Antarctica

Mission 1

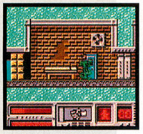
Thanks to a tracking device planted by Max on Psycho's getaway vehicle, N-Tek Intelligence has discovered an enemy base in Antarctica. Your enemies are building a stealth bomber. You've got to fly there and stop them.



Mission 2

The bomber is located in a hangar hidden deep within the D.R.E.A.D. Antarctica base. Enemy forces are using a device that they stole from N-Tek in the bomber. You must retrieve the device then plant explosives near the bomber to take it out.

Campaign 4: Escape and Defend



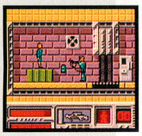
Mission 1

Captured by D.R.E.A.D. forces, you must escape before the enemies have a chance to move the MX25 jet to another location. You'll start by punching your way out of the cell, then you'll navigate air vents to explore the base.

Missions 2 & 3

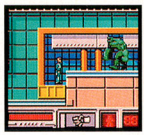
You'll make your escape to the N-Tek Del Oro Base in Mission 2 to find that it is overrun by D.R.E.A.D. agents. In Mission 3, your goal is to defend the base by eliminating the attacking agents. There are a lot of enemies, and health and ammo pickups are at a premium.

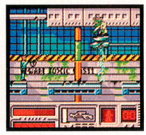
Campaign 5: The Final Assault



Mission 1

D.R.E.A.D. forces have retreated from the Del Oro base, and they've taken an N-Tek agent, Rachel Leeds, with them. You must rescue Leeds before the enemies can get N-Tek secrets from her.





Mission 2

With Agent Leeds safe and the location of the D.R.E.A.D. base revealed, your mission is to infiltrate and destroy enemy headquarters. It is loaded with powerful enemies and plenty of dangerous traps. Move cautiously, conserve ammo and fight hard!

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HORSEPLAY WITH M-K & A

Mary-Kate and Ashley ride into the winner's circle with the first-ever horse riding Pak for Game Boy Color from Dualstar and Acclaim. You can guide either of the charismatic twins through a three-tournament, nine-event equestrian competition. Begin by selecting a horse and an outfit, then grab the reins and start competing. As you make your way through the events, your horse will improve and your bedroom wall will fill up with ribbons and trophies. By completing a series of additional challenges, you can earn new horses and even unlock a bonus tournament for more equestrian fun.

SELECT A HORSE

You'll begin with a selection of four horses. Their talents vary. Some have better speed and agility; others have a more even temperament and are more responsive. Choose the horse that best fits your experience and riding style.

SATIN

If it's speed that you need, Satin is a good choice. But his temper can get in the way.

SPARKLE

Sparkle is slow but responsive. He could be a good choice when you begin playing.

SPUTNIK

Sputnik is a fast, but not responsive, horse. He's not a good choice for a beginner.

DOLLY

Dolly is a good all-around horse, but she's not exceptional in any one area.

GO FOR THE GOLD

Every event tests your ability to take your horse over jumps and around obstacles. You must attempt every jump. The penalty for a fault is minimal. If you finish with the top time consistently, you'll earn blue ribbons and gold trophies.

A Collection of Courses

Every event takes place on a different course. Courses range from dusty fields with a Southwestern theme to manicured championship arenas. Some courses are short, with closely arranged jumps. Other courses are endurance tests with a lot of twists and turns.

Earn Bonus Horses

By completing challenges that four characters put before you, you'll earn the chance to ride a stable full of new horses.

ELVIS

Elvis is not agile, but he's very fast.

SCARPER

The massive Scarper is a good jumper.

BABE

Once he gets going, Babe is a fast horse.

STORM

Storm is the best all-around horse.

Enter a New Tournament

After you complete all of the challenges, you will unlock a bonus tournament that includes three new events—Creepy Hollow, Grave Danger and Trick or Treat.

WIN WITH STYLE

Once you get a feel for the controls, you'll be able to vault to the top of the standings with ease. Start each event by pressing and holding the B Button until you've built up enough speed, then release the button and focus on course navigation.

Guide and Glide

The key to pulling off a perfect round is smooth and steady control. Tap the Control Pad to turn 45 degrees at a time and try not to oversteer. You'll always have time to make careful turns—even in tight areas. When approaching a jump, press the A Button when you're a full length away from the obstacle.

GET A CLUE WITH BLUE

Nickelodeon favorite Blue stars in a collection of activities designed to help young children recognize letters and objects. It's Blue's Clues: Blue's Alphabet Book from Viacom and Mattel. While helping Steve find the missing pages of his Alphabet Book, you engage in several simple puzzle games. Upon completion of each game, Blue gives you a hint that helps you decide where a page is hidden. After you collect three clues, the location is revealed. If you do well, the activities become slightly more challenging on repeated plays. The game features bright, colorful graphics, playful music and a handful of spoken phrases.

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ALPHABET ACTIVITIES

The main menu screen shows Blue surrounded by her pals. You can single out one of Blue's buddies to practice that character's activity or you can participate in three activities in a row by selecting Blue. Each activity is fun and easy to learn.

Musictime

Music and letters match in Musictime with Sidetable Drawer. When Blue plays a series of notes on the xylophone, you must match the tune by playing the same notes. Letters that correspond with the notes appear at the top of the screen so that you don't have to remember the tune.

Catch the Letter Leaves

In Catch the Letter Leaves with Baby Bear, lettered leaves fall from the top of the screen. You control a lettered bucket at the bottom of the screen. The object is to match letters by catching the right leaves. Every time you make a match, the letter on the bucket will change.

FIND THE PAGES

The Blue's Clues challenge is to discover where the pages of Blue's Alphabet Book are hidden. When you complete an activity, Blue will give you a clue that points to a page's location. Every clue will bring you closer to the hiding place.

Clues Point to a Location

After Blue gives you a clue about a page location, Steve draws a picture that illustrates that clue. The illustrated clues appear together at the top of the screen. When you have three clues, you must think about where that page is hidden.

Snacktime

Letters and shapes mingle in Snacktime with Mr. Salt and Mrs. Pepper. Blue flips to a page in a book that shows one of three letters or shapes. You must select the correct object and place it on a plate. After a match, new letters and shapes come into the picture.

Alphabet Soup

Letter recognition and spelling come into play in Alphabet Soup with Paprika. When a letter floats to the surface of Blue's soup bowl, you must match that letter in your bowl by pointing at it with a spoon. The activity continues until you spell a full word.

Beach Book Skidoo

Letters drop into a simple maze in the sand in Beach Book Skidoo with Shovel and Pail. You must push the letters through the maze to the water. The activity continues until you push all of the letters of a word through the maze.

Bubble Burst

Bubble Burst with Slippery Soap is a classic memory-testing game. Several soap bubbles appear on the screen. When you pop a bubble, it reveals a letter. The object is to pop another bubble that holds a matching letter. You must remember where the letters are placed.

Put It All Together!

Blue's Clues: Blue's Alphabet Book combines several tasks in an entertaining package for players who are learning about letters, words and matching objects. It presents both structured and free-form activities in a variety of ways to play.

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TO THE FINISH LINE AND...

Beyond! Remember the road chase in the final scene of Toy Story? Well, Woody, Buzz Lightyear and company are taking to the streets again in Disney's Toy Story Racer from Activision. In addition to Woody and Buzz, the game features Bo Peep and Mr. Potato Head. Race locations include Andy's house, Pizza Planet, the streets of Andy's neighborhood and the route between Andy's house and Sid's house. The game's nine courses are very straightforward, and your racer always stays on the track. As you make your way to the finish line, you can collect items that help or hurt your chances.

TWO WAYS TO PLAY

You can select from four different characters and take on the field in two different racing modes—Quick Race and Tournament. As you advance through the tournament, you'll open up new courses for the Quick Race Mode.

Quick Race

Select your character, select the course and take off for a three-lap, one-shot race. It's a great way to prepare for Tournament play. You'll start with one course selection per location, and more courses will become available as you make your way through the Tournament.

Tournament

The Tournament covers nine courses in four major locations. After the first practice race, the last-place finisher from each race will be eliminated from the tournament and will be replaced with an alien or soldier. Your goal is to get third place or better every time.

POWER UP OR DOWN

A collection of nine items can either power up or power down your vehicle. Power-up items include the Instant Throttle Star, the Time Bonus Clock and the Invulnerable Horseshoe. Other items slow down or stop your vehicle temporarily.

You can get speed, time, traction and durability boosts if you collect the right items. If you collect the wrong items, you could lose control for a few seconds. You can use round Buy-Back Tokens in Tournament Mode. Collect 30 of them to bring back an eliminated character.

Unlock Tournament Courses

There are multiple courses in Andy's house, Pizza Planet and the street. In Quick Race Mode, you'll begin with a selection of one course per location. As you unlock new courses in Tournament Mode, you can then select those courses for single races.

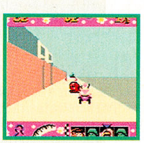
Race through Familiar Locations

Andy's House

The tourney begins in Andy's room and quickly spills out into the entire house, upstairs and downstairs. You'll drive through doorways, over jumps and up onto Andy's bed. The biggest challenge is passing other drivers. Try to pass them quickly on the inside of a corner.

Pizza Planet

The first race in Pizza Planet features a ramp that takes you on a ride over the tabletops. The rest of the race takes place on the floor, under tables and chairs. Two other restaurant courses serve up similar features.



The Street

The game includes a collection of four races on sidewalks and streets. Since you can't stray off of the track, even 90-degree turns onto crosswalks are easily negotiable. The tourney concludes on a single course between Sid's house and Andy's house.

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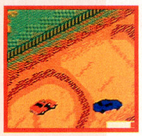
Ride With The Dukes

Jump into the General Lee and get ready for a wild ride with The Dukes of Hazzard: Racing for Home from Southpeak Interactive. You'll race through the roads of Hazzard County with Roscoe P. Coltrane hot on your trail in 27 fast-paced missions. They range from a run around the fairground track to a full-on getaway from the law as you fly over jumps and skid around curves. Helpful items include nitro boosts, wrenches for repairs and dynamite arrows that allow you to blast away barriers. The boys are back, and they're on Game Boy Color.

Run and Gun

The Dukes have never seen eye-to-eye with the law. They've always found themselves in one pickle after another, with Roscoe hot on their trail. You've got to help them outwit and outrun the sheriff, and keep them out from behind bars.



Mission 1: Fairground Race

The game begins with a run around the Hazzard County Fairgrounds. Your mission is to survive two tours around the course with the General Lee intact. If the car is damaged, you can give it a quick repair by collecting a wrench pickup.

Mission 2: Find Uncle Jesse

The second mission introduces the greater Hazzard County area, where most of the missions take place. Uncle Jesse has been kidnapped on his way to making a mortgage payment. You've got to find him in a hurry.

Hazzard County Races

If you want to take a break from your missions, you can join in on a collection of races through Hazzard County. Before every race, you can choose one of several cars to drive. More races and car selections unlock as you progress through the game.

Mission 3: Hot Pursuit

The kidnappers are hiding in Uncle Jesse's truck near a garage on a back-country road. When you arrive, they'll put the pedal to the metal. Your mission is to track down the truck and stop the kidnappers. A couple of collisions with the General Lee should do the trick.

Mission 4: Race to the Bank

Uncle Jesse is safe, but the mortgage payment is still outstanding. You have only a couple of minutes to get to the bank before it closes. Press the Start Button to bring up the map, and use it find to the bank in the middle of town.

Mission 5: Run from the Law

The bank run was too close for comfort. The only way the Dukes can avoid more situations like that is to pay the mortgage outright. And the only way to do that is to win the Hazzard Overland Race. On your way to signing up for the race, you've got to get away from the sheriff. Start your engine!

Mission 6: Fairgrounds or Bust

There are police barricades on the way to the fairgrounds. You can get through them by blasting them with a dynamite arrow. You'll find one in the garage where the kidnappers were hiding in Mission 2. Get the arrow, blast the barriers and race to the fairgrounds.

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SCRAMBLED EGG COLLECTION

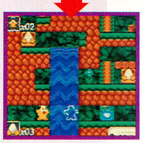
Easy to learn and fun to play, Toki Tori, from Capcom, challenges you to gather a collection of eggs in a series of obstacle-filled rooms. As you progress through the rooms, you'll earn moves that will allow you to clear away enemies and reach new areas. Using the basic Eyes move, you can pause the game and scroll over the room while formulating your egg collection strategy. Other moves allow you to create bridges, make traps, warp and more. You must clear every room within a time limit. Your best times for each room are noted in case you want to try for a better time.

GRAB AND GO

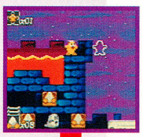
The object of the game is to advance through rooms and collect eggs. You can jump over short obstacles and use a limited number of learned moves. Every room plays like a puzzle. If you get stuck or run out of time, you can restart the room and try again.

Forest Falls

The first of four worlds contains a total of 105 eggs. One of the moves that you'll learn in the Forest Falls world is Freeze-o-Matic. It allows you to freeze an enemy in an ice cube. Since frozen enemies become obstacles, you must think before you freeze them.

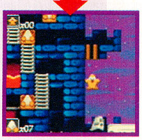


Another move that you will learn in Forest Falls is Telewarp. Using the Telewarp move, you can warp to otherwise unreachable areas. You can warp in any of four directions, but the distance is set and you can't warp into obstacles. The Telewarp is particularly useful for getting around frozen enemies.



Creepy Castle

There are 86 eggs in the Creepy Castle world. There, you'll learn moves like Brick Switch and Ghost Trap. In Level 3, you'll begin at the top of a turret with no apparent escape route. The only way to proceed is to warp to the right of the turret and fall to the next ledge.



When you encounter a ghost in Level 3, you can create a Ghost Trap to make it fall to the ledge below. The ghost will leave a hole that you can fall through, too. Use the Eyes to scroll down, then watch the movement of the ghost and fall as it floats to the right. When you land, run to the left and keep moving.

All the Right Moves

The biggest challenge in playing Toki Tori is knowing which moves to use and when to use them. You may have as many as five different moves at your disposal in a given room. When you earn a move, you'll learn how to use it in a simplified learning level. That will help you identify the right circumstances for every move.

Slime Cave

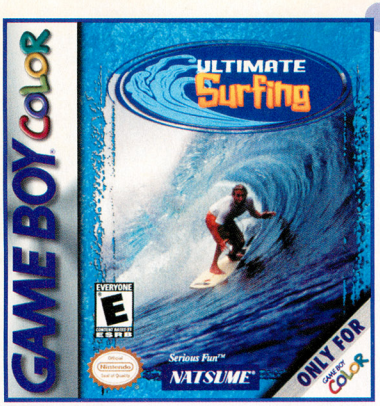
As you attempt to collect the 146 eggs in Slime Cave, you will encounter many gaps in the path. You'll learn that you can cross some gaps by creating gap-filling crates. Another way to cross gaps is to use one of the first moves that you learned—Bridge Builder.

As you progress though the levels, you'll encounter an increasing number of enemies. Since you can't jump high enough to go over enemies, you'll need other means to deal with them. The Snail Sucker is a particularly useful enemy-elimination tool. You can use it like a vacuum cleaner to pull enemies from the path.

Bubble Barrage

In the Bubble Barrage world, you'll earn moves that relate to water. The Bubble move gives you the ability to turn into a bubble for a few seconds and float to new areas. By standing in bubble streams, you can recharge your Bubble ability. You'll find 161 eggs in the world in all.

Enemies float up and down throughout the Bubble Barrage world. When freezing them, you must make sure that they stop in a place where they will be out of your way. If a frozen enemy becomes an obstacle, you may have to restart the level and try again.



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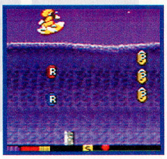
TAKE THE ULTIMATE RIDE

Travel to six top surfing spots worldwide and go up against a crew of fierce competitors in Natsume's Ultimate Surfing. The game is a side-scroller that challenges you to ride alongside one continuous wave from start to finish. As you go, you've got to recharge your stamina, avoid obstacles and try to pass other surfers without getting tangled up. You can collect power-ups for a boost and perform tricks for extra points. There are six surfers to choose from. If you want to go head-to-head with another player, you can use the Game Link Cable and select the Multigame Mode.



CATCH A WAVE

The game begins in Hawaii, where the water is clear and blue. You can practice all of the courses in Freestyle Mode, then switch to the Grand Prix tournament to compete.

Freestyle

In Freestyle Mode, you can select any of the six courses and check them out without the pressure of competition. You can perform tricks anywhere and perfect your style. The only catch is that if you wipe out, your ride is over. Gnarly!

Grand Prix

The Grand Prix competition challenges you to go up against a field of five other surfers and put your skills to the ultimate test. To win, you've got to finish ahead of the other surfers and earn points for tricks in designated sections of the course.

Take a Break on the Beach

If you collect special gold discs in the Grand Prix, you can take a break from surfing between events and participate in two different bonus games. You can take target practice with a flying disc or engage in a foot race where the goal is to capture a flag in the sand.

Ultimate Surfing Locations

California

After you learn the basics in Hawaii, you'll move on to the challenges of the California Surf. The California course includes rocks and coral. The best way to keep from wiping out on the rocks is to stay near the crest of the wave.

Australia

Australian beaches are among the most popular in the world because they provide a lot of thrills. When you ride the red wave of the Australian course, you've got to stay alert and avoid a collection of sea creatures.

South Pole

Not known as a surfing hot spot, the South Pole may seem an unlikely candidate for a wave-riding competition. Nonetheless, you'll be able to take to the cold waves in Ultimate Surfing. Be sure to avoid the ice floes.

Japan

The Land of the Rising Sun is also the land of the massive waves. Japan's stormy course is windswept and superfast. Obstacles on the course include oil slicks and floating debris. Hold on! It's going to be a wild ride!

Brazil

The Grand Prix wraps up in the low light of the Brazilian night. As you ride the wave, from left to right, you've got to keep an eye out for floating driftwood and schools of porpoises.

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DR. MARIO 64

Is there a plumber in the house?

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After saving the princess, driving a kart and taking swings at golf and tennis, Mario is making a house call as a physician in a doctored-up version of Tetris. His latest operation, Dr. Mario 64, is a faithful update of the 1990 puzzle game for the NES and Game Boy, which was one of the earliest stack-'em-ups to build upon Tetris's classic formula. Dr. Mario added colors to coordinate and viruses to eliminate, refocusing strategy on specific locations—where you build and whittle is more important than keeping the fill level to a minimum. Dr. Mario 64 doesn't mess with the original prescription, adding only slightly tweaked modes along with a flimsy and forced story mode and a four-player competition. Dr. Mario 64 is fine, engaging fun for solo puzzlers, but it's not frantic enough to be a great head-to-head experience. The garbage you dump on your opponents is minimal, and Tetris Attack (which was reborn as Pokémon Puzzle League last year) is better at intensifying the pace of brain-bending blockbusting. Dr. Mario bridged the gap between Tetris's evolution to Tetris Attack, and Dr. Mario 64 plays very much like a transitional game stuck between the two extremes. It almost seems instantly outdated with the faster, more varied PPL on store shelves, but Dr. Mario 64 is still a nifty, little game in its own right. It's a surefire prescription for fun if you're looking for more restrained, calculating puzzle action, and its hard-to-resist bargain price is just what the doctor ordered.

- Nintendo/32 Megabits
- 1 to 4 players simultaneously
- 6 modes

CHRIS ★★★
JENNI ★★★½
JILL ★★★★½
OLIVER ★★★
SONJA ★★★★

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COMMENTS: Jenni—While not as challenging or habit-forming as Pokémon Puzzle League, it has an old-school charm. Oliver—Still as addictive as ever, but it could have used some new game play variations. Sonja—I love it!

BLUE'S CLUES: BLUE'S ALPHABET BOOK

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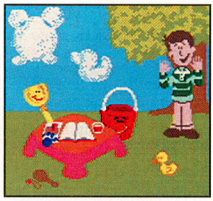
How do you spell "good edutainment?" Blue knows how.

Lovable Blue and her owner Steve appear in their first GBC game, which is a wonderful tool for helping preschoolers recognize letters and objects. Candy-colored graphics and characters like Paprika, Pail and Shovel will make kids feel right at home, while six cheery activities will transform learning into a fun and inviting experience. Spoken dialogue by Steve and yips from Blue will encourage youngsters to help Slippery Soap uncover letters in a memory game, mimic patterns played on Side Table Drawer's alphabet xylophone and catch matching letters into Baby Bear's basket.

Like any good teaching tool, Blue's Alphabet Book is meant to be played by children while an adult is guiding them, and every adorable game is set up simply so children—as well as parents who may not be very game savvy—will be able to get the hang of things quickly and easily. Education has never been more cute or fun, and Mattel Interactive has created a doggone good educational game that effectively uses repetition in a variety of fun ways. It's as sharp as the smart show it's based on.



COMMENTS: **Oliver**—The graphics are very easy on the eyes, and if you've forgotten your ABCs, this game is very helpful. **Jenni**—No, you won't want to play this if you don't watch "Blue's Clues" while sitting on the edge of your seat, but if you have a child who likes the show or a younger brother who's always messing up your other Game Boy games because he doesn't understand them, this game should be a perfect fit. It matches the kid-friendly charm of the show. **Scott**—Definitely a learning tool for toddlers, Blue's Alphabet Book provides a good variety of letter recognition exercises.

- Mattel/8 Megabits
- 1 player
- GBC exclusive
- 6 activities

JASON ★★★★
JENNI ★★★★
JILL ★★★★
OLIVER ★★★
SCOTT ★★★

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THE DUKES OF HAZZARD: RACING FOR HOME

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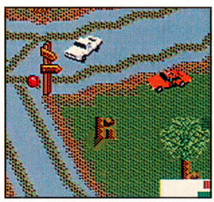
Yeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee-hawwwwwwwwwwwwww!

Over 20 years after the souped-up General Lee began burning rubber through the backwoods of down-home Hazzard County, the good ol' Duke boys are kicking up more dust in a GBC hoedown of fast-paced racing and chasing. And talk about southern hospitality—SouthPeak's bang-up job of a smash-'em-up game serves up heaping helpings of everything from a bevy of cars to diverse missions and objectives. The game's longer than any pair of pants Daisy Duke has ever donned, and all 27 missions are a hoot-and-a-half with goals ranging from ramming rival cars until they're totaled, fleeing from the law and good old-fashioned racing. Whether you're behind the wheel of the General Lee, Boss Hogg's Cadillac, Daisy's Jeep or any of the other dozen vehicles, you'll have a blast tearing up the dirt roads and town streets. Great, realistic controls allow you to fishtail and launch off ramps, while cool features like crossbows allow you to blast away barricades. Rosco and other drivers will pursue and ram your car, successfully conveying the thrill of the chase. It's pure Dukes of Hazzard high jinks, and it's everything that Vigilante 8 for GBC should have been.



COMMENTS: **Alan**—I was surprised by how good this is. The cars handle realistically—if you turn at full speed, you'll skid out of control, but the same turn taken with a little less gas results in a smooth curve. **Chris**—This game is a real guilty pleasure. I especially like the Driver-style chase sequences, like getting away from Rosco or ditching Boss Hogg by jumping over the river. **Jenni**—Quite the enjoyable little driving game. It's more fun than chasing a greased polecat through the Piggly Wiggly, I reckon.

- SouthPeak/16 Megabits
- 1 player
- GBC exclusive
- 27 missions
- 12 vehicles

ALAN ★★★★
CHRIS ★★★★
JENNI ★★★½
JILL ★★★
OLIVER ★★★½

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Mild animated violence. Use of tobacco and alcohol.

KIRBY TILT 'N' TUMBLE

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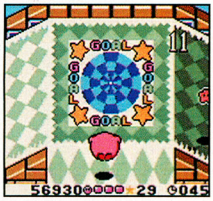
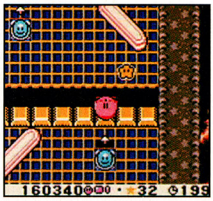
Let's get ready to tumble.

Expect to see Tilt 'n' Tumble rolling onto year-end lists that honor the innovative games of 2001. In the first "Tilt Response" video game, you can guide roly-poly Kirby around pinball obstacle courses by holding your GBC at different angles. Kirby will roll downhill when you slant your GBC, and by quickly flicking the system up, you can make Kirby hop. You steer Kirby exclusively by tilting your GBC up, down, left and right, so the Control Pad functions only as a pan-and-scan camera.

It's all in the wrists, when it comes to mastering Tilt 'n' Tumble. By angling your GBC, you can move sliding walls and other obstacles out of your way. The motion-sensitive technology goes beyond novelty since it makes up all of the game play's twitchy tests of dexterity, nerves and reflexes. Struggling to angle your GBC just right so you don't roll Kirby off a narrow bridge is a blast and a fun feat to try to pull off—especially when each level is a race against the clock. Tilt 'n' Tumble comes highly recommended—not just for its must-see technology, but for the fun pinball action that is perfectly up to par with the amazing innovation.





COMMENTS: **Drew**—Kirby's innovative motion control and well-designed levels are wonders to behold, but you'll have difficulty beholding them without a perfectly positioned light source. **Scott**—There's a reason video games use Controllers. Sorry, Kirby. **Jenni**—Kirby Tilt 'n' Tumble is a refreshingly different way to approach handheld gaming, and it presents a unique challenge. **Alan**—A creative and entertaining game and a stunning example of why Game Boy continues to be the most versatile platform on the market.

- Nintendo/8 Megabits
- 1 player
- GBC exclusive
- 8 levels, 5 minigames
- Tilt Response technology

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TOKI TORI

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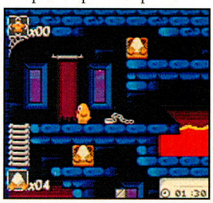
Eggheads wanted.

For a company better known for its action and fighting hits, Capcom can hatch a pretty sharp puzzle game. Toki Tori is a smart brainteaser starring an egg-shaped bird. In each multilevel area, you must cluck your way up ladders, across gaps and past enemies to collect all of the eggs.

The concept is simple, but Capcom's bird game is a bear (and a maddeningly enjoyable one, too). Getting from point to point requires you to manage the limited power-ups you've taken under your wing—like bridge panels and freezing rays—and wisely place them in the few spots that are perfect for them. Every ingenious level is cleverly laid out, and there isn't much room for error, so a misplaced power-up or wrong turn can prevent you from reaching all the eggs. The order in which you gather up the goods is crucial, since your Bridge Builders, Telewarps and other items are available in scarce quantities. You can't double-back without wasting items, so much of the problem solving requires sly planning and lots of trial and error.

Toki Tori is a tricky and first-rate puzzler that's set up like a platformer, and the charming presentation gives the brain-busting game more personality and charm than you would normally find in a thinking person's game. Brains, good looks and personality, too—Toki Tori is a dream date of a game to get to know.



COMMENTS: **George**—A good combination of action and puzzle solving. It can be a real head-scratcher in the later levels. **Jenni**—The game is an endearing, little puzzle that gives the goofy main character different skills, which you have to figure out how to use to pick up all of the tokens. **Drew**—Challenging and enjoyable.

- Capcom/8 Megabits
- 1 player
- GBC exclusive

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MARY-KATE AND ASHLEY: WINNERS CIRCLE

Horse around with the Olsen twins. Giddyap!

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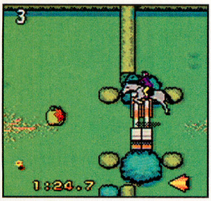
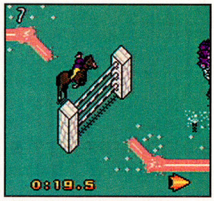
- Acclaim/8 Megabits
- 1 player
- GBC exclusive
- 12 courses
- 8 challenges, 6 horses

Sure, the thought of the "Full House" twins riding around on horseback may not sound appealing to everyone, but Acclaim has trotted out another surprisingly solid game to add to its stable of Olsen sisters hits. Winners Circle reins in 12 steeplechase courses for you to jockey any of six different horses through in record time. By clearing hurdles, you can boost your horse's abilities in the hopes of galloping to victory and winning ribbons and trophies for your bedroom.

A compass guides you from hurdle to hurdle, and reaching each one is challenging fun since the happy trails zigzag with unbridled whimsy. Saddled with noteworthy music that reflects the pretty settings (like a nighttime ride through the bonus graveyard course), Winners Circle features plenty of nice flourishes. The eight rounds of gymkhana challenges are particularly snazzy—they require you to steer your horse around mazes of obstacles to retrieve dozens of items within a three-minute time limit. And even the credits are fun—their presentation is surely one of the cleverest ways to get you to read the programmers' names. Perhaps the game is a tad bit small, but it's no Shetland when it comes to challenge. It's a definite must for fans of horses or the Olsen twins, and even non-enthusiasts will have a galloping good time.





COMMENTS: Scott—It's about time there was a horse riding game for North America (it seems Japan gets all the equestrian action). Surprisingly, Acclaim's offering is pretty fun. Oliver—I don't like the Olsen twins, but I like their games. Jenni—It's a tough exercise in timing and coordinating riding outfits, and it succeeds on both levels.

GEORGE ★★★½
JENNI ★★★½
OLIVER ★★★½
SCOTT ★★★
SONJA ★★½

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MAX STEEL: COVERT MISSIONS

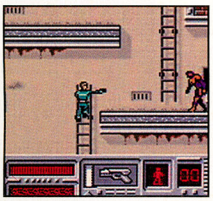
Mattel Interactive delivers adventure to the max.

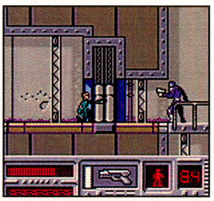
3½

- Mattel/8 Megabits
- 1 player
- GBC exclusive
- 12 missions

Armed with nano-technology and a popular Kids' WB! series, Max Steel storms onto the GBC in a side-scrolling mission against D.R.E.A.D. The large levels snake like mazes, and Max must sneak through them to get the jump on enemies. Max can slink through his 12 missions using three different N-Tek Power Modes—Normal, Turbo and Stealth. Each mode gives Max unique abilities, whether they're superhuman, wall-crushing fists or super-sneaky evasion techniques. His special powers require special energy, and juggling his different offensive and defensive modes along with six weapons makes Covert Missions a crafty operation. It's sort of like Metal Gear Solid as a side-scroller.

COMMENTS: George—A solid GBC action game. The one thing that's missing is a mapping feature, as it is very easy to get lost in the large, mazelike levels. Chris—I liked this game quite a bit at first, but it got old. I ended up wandering for a long time, because the game allows you to get off track very easily. Still, the different outfits and variety of weapons add to a pretty good platformer. Jenni—The mission objectives are as silly and uninspired as an actual episode of the Kids' WB! computer-generated time-waster itself, but once you get past the somewhat clunky way Max moves, you'll appreciate the level design. You have to sneak around a lot since you can't really wallop the bad guys, and that's part of the fun. Drew—Max Steel is a standard run-and-gun, multilevel shooter, but it has crisp graphics and fairly good play control. There are a few interesting twists in later levels of the game, but there's nothing here you haven't already seen a hundred times over.





CHRIS ★★★½
DREW ★★★
GEORGE ★★★★
JENNI ★★★
SCOTT ★★★★

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Animated violence.

BATMAN: CHAOS IN GOTHAM

3

It's a Dark Knight in Gotham.

No matter how much chaos there is in Gotham City, Ubi Soft's Batman platformer offers only basic action. Batman: Chaos in Gotham is a standard-issue side-scroller stocked with thugs to punch out and floating platforms to navigate. The setup and structure aren't anything new, but it's decent enough to please side-scroller fans, especially since it packs in cool superhero perks like Batman's Batmobile, STUN Bombs, Batarang, Jetwing and grappling hook.

The animation—especially Batman's graceful acrobatics—is the game's strong suit. But slick graphics aside, Chaos in Gotham's only other standout features are the occasional driving levels, most notably a high-speed chase you play as Batgirl. With 18 levels, Chaos in Gotham offers plenty of caped crusading and crime busting to be entertaining, but nothing you'll go all-out batty over.

COMMENTS: **Drew**—It's merely competent, which makes it much better than most of the other superhero games that have been dumped on GBC. The levels actually require a small amount of strategy. In a nod to previous superhero games, however, the fighting mechanics stink. **Chris**—The fighting is pretty good but a little too easy. The rest of the game is forgettable—the levels are bland and repetitive, and the items are underused. **Scott**—Overall, the game is an uninspired brawling platformer that doesn't do justice to the license. **Jill**—It's not very challenging. **Jenni**—If you've ever dreamed of donning the cowl to clean up Gotham City's dark, criminal-infested underbelly, keep dreaming. **Oliver**—It has great animation, but that's about it.

- Ubi Soft/8 Megabits
- 1 player
- GBC exclusive
- Infrared port capabilities for Ubi Key feature

CHRIS ★★
DREW ★★★
JENNI ★★★
OLIVER ★★½
SCOTT ★★½

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TOY STORY RACER

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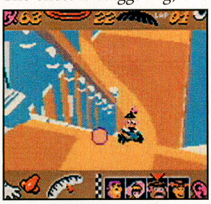
Activision takes GBC racing games to infinity and beyond.

How appropriate that the cast of the first entirely computer-generated feature-length film should star in another animation milestone. This time the eye-popping innovation appears on the tiny screen as *Toy Story's* Woody, Buzz Lightyear, Bo Peep and Mr. Potato Head hit the road in the first 3-D racing game for Game Boy Color. While previous GB driving games have sported overhead views or faked 3-D effects with rolling Pole Position-style backdrops, Activision's Toy Story Racer boasts detailed scenery that actually changes perspective as you putt over the hills and around the corners of whimsical settings like Andy's House and Pizza Planet. The effect is staggering, and more than any other GBC racer, it gives you a real sense of speed and motion.

Beyond the 3-D oohs and aahs, the game play is pretty middle-of-the-road fare. Collectible coins dot the lengthy courses, and whammies you drive into can mess up your steering or bring you to a screeching halt. It's basic racing stuff, but when it's dressed up with Tiertex Design Studios' impressive 3-D presentation, you can't help but get drawn into the colorful worlds. If GBC can accomplish something like this, just imagine the possibilities for Game Boy Advance. There's definitely room for improvement—Toy Story Racer is better eye candy than it is a sweet ride.



COMMENTS: **Jill**—It feels more advanced than most GBC games. The tracks are exciting with jumps and unusual items. **Chris**—The graphics are great, but the rest of the game isn't worth the effort. **George**—You can play most of the game without steering. **Drew**—Impressive graphics but mindless play control.

- Activision/16 Megabits
- 1 player
- GBC exclusive
- 10 tracks

CHRIS ★★
DREW ★★½
GEORGE ★★
JILL ★★★★★
SCOTT ★★½

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ULTIMATE SURFING

Surf's up! Dude, where's my board?

2

Natsume's day at the beach swells with plenty of potential, but Ultimate Surfing's water sports action is lukewarm at best. You can tell that Natsume, a company known for GB gems like Harvest Moon, was making a genuine effort to create a worthwhile, fathom-deep surfing experience. Without its vibrant graphics (the sunny, stormy and nighttime skies and cascading water are beachy keen), detailed controls and two-player Game Link features, Ultimate Surfing wouldn't be worth getting stoked about. In fact, the game is almost a complete wipeout because of its limiting format.

Stuck on a side-scrolling path, you must surf along an ever-curling wave. You can keep your stamina and momentum up for short stretches only, so you must constantly rip up and down the face of the wave to stay afloat. To make things exciting, flotsam, power-ups and rival surfers float into your path, and every race offers a chance to unlock a button-mashing beach race or target-shooting Frisbee toss. Since the stunts you can bust out over the lip are limited, the minigames are arguably more fun than the simplistic wave riding. You won't be surfing for minutes on end, but you won't be totally surf-bored, either, since the game's earnest touches are as exciting as they can be. The action simply isn't the "Ultimate." Maybe "So-So Surfing" would be a more accurate title.

COMMENTS: Chris—It plays really fast but is repetitive. Drew—If you take away the nice-looking wave graphics, you're left with a lame, side-scrolling racing game. Natsume made an attempt to integrate surfing mechanics, but the game really has nothing to do with surfing. The Flying Disc minigame is probably the best thing in it.

- Natsume/8 Megabits
- 1 to 2 players simultaneously
- GBC exclusive
- Game Link compatible
- 6 courses, 2 minigames

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Adventure, Arcade, Fighting, Platform, Puzzle, RPG, Racing, Shooter, Sports, Strategy

Red hot!!! Kewl! Foolish!
Way cool!! Ho-hum. Woof!!!

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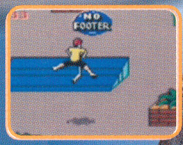

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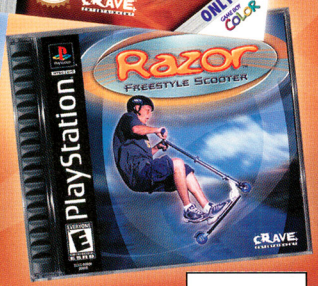

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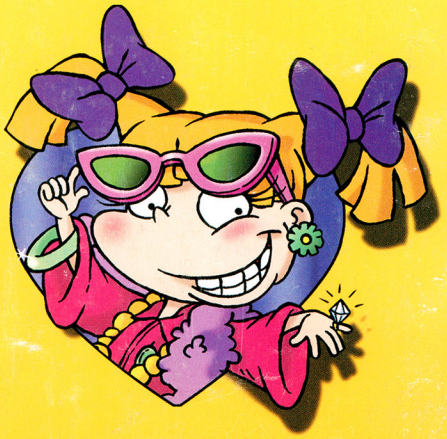

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